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REPORT FROM STATE TREASURER

Shows a Cash Balance of Nearly Half a Million Dollars.

The state treasurer made a very important report to the governor Thursday, showing the condition of the treasury at the close of business on February 23 of each year from 1894 to 1898.

The report shows on the 23d of February, 1894, a cash balance on hand in the treasury of $189,539.37; for 1895, balance of $154,618.87; for 1896, balance of $242,115.71; for 1897, balance of $217,459.95; for 1898, balance of $424,130.50.

Governor Johnston, when interviewed as to the cause of the increase, would say but little, but mentioned that the sum of $60,000 had been saved in the management of the convict department alone, and in other branches of the state department at least $50,000 had been saved in the state's expenses. The prompt collection of the taxes of the state, the tax commissioners and the state public examiners of accounts all had their influence in adding to the grand total of increase in the state's revenue.

WILL TRY IT AGAIN.

Birmingham Decides to Have Another Carnival in 1899.

Birmingham will have another carnival in 1899. It was so decided at the annual meeting of the Birmingham Carnival society. The reports of the society showed its affairs to be in excellent condition. The big deficit of last year has been wiped out and the society now owes the nominal sum of $288. The carnival this year was a big success both in point of attendance and financially. The old officers were re-elected with Emil Lesser as president, and Louis Braun as secretary.

The Governor Wants War.

Answering the queries of a non-resident newspaper, Governor Johnston has wired this pithy statement over his signature:

"I am unable to express an opinion as to the cause of the disaster of the Maine. The report of the board will doubtless settle that question, and our government should depart from its timid policy and promptly take steps to maintain the dignity of the country. Some things are more to be dreaded than war, and one is a policy that brings contempt upon the flag of the country. There should be prompt recognition of Cuban belligerency without regard to the Maine disaster. Every day brings me letters from confederate officers tendering their services in case of war.

A Town to Be Resurrected.

The recent deal, whereby the property of the old Ensley Land company was transferred to the new Ensley company will result in the resurrection of the town of Ensley, which has lain dormant since the days of the boom. The surveyors have already begun work and in a short time 230 acres situated just east of Ensley City will be laid off into plats. Extensive manufacturing plants are to be erected, among the first a $25,000 brick works, employing 100 hands. The founders of the new town are under contract to build three other big industrial plants. These industries will consist of a big iron foundry, a planing mill and a complete machine shop.

Arranging for the Sunday Schools.

Arrangements are being made for the meeting in Birmingham on May 13 of the State Sabbath school association. The purpose of the organization is to promote the observance of the Sabbath day. The movement was commended by the Alabama Methodist Conference at its last meeting.

The Governor's Clemency.

Governor Johnston announced the following pardons Friday:

Alf McIntosh, Ed and Lee Ramsey, L. J. and H. Bonner and I. George, all of Wilcox county, convicted last fall and sentenced for one year for receiving stolen property.

Gerald Crenshaw, of Perry county, convicted last fall of having given liquor to a minor and sentenced for one year.

Ed Simpson, of Bullock county, sentenced three years ago for four and one-half years for grand larceny.

George Willingham, of Coosa, convicted of burglary five years ago and sentenced for six years.

Will Adams, of Jefferson, convicted of larceny.

McClure's Opinion of Alabama.

In response to an invitation from the chamber of commerce of Huntsvillle to Hon. A. K. McClure, the distinguished editor of the Philadelphia Times, he writes the secretary: "I expect to be south some time after the middle of March and will certainly visit your city, and will be glad to deliver a brief address relating solely to the material interests of your state. There never was such an opportunity for any commonwealth to advance her interests as is now presented for Alabama. It is the most inviting state for capital there is in the union."

URGE THEM TO AMBITION.

Colored Leaders Give Some Facts and Advice to Negroes.

At the seventh annual negro conference held in the Normal school pavilion at Tuskegee, about 2,000 colored farmers, representing nearly every Southern state, were present.

Booker T. Washington presided.

To encourage gardening, a free package of seeds was given to everyone pesrent.

The result of the conference was the unanimous adoption of the following resolutions:

"Wherever our people have been reached by outside influence we believe there is constant growth in acquiring education, building schoolhouses, extending the school term, developing Christian character, improving and purifying the ministry, securing land, diversifying crops, getting out of debt, and living more economically.

"Since 83 per cent of our people in the Gulf states live by agriculture, we strongly urge that along with other forms of education, special stress be laid upon training in agriculture. We earnestly urge upon all to buy land, if only in small tracts, while it can be secured at a low price.

"We believe the annual holding of county fairs would prove most helpful.

"We strongly beseech our people not to be satisfied with their present condition, but to reach forward to something higher and better."

Cattle Shipments.

Alabama cattle are still going to the feeding grounds in Indian Territory, where they are prepared for slaughter at the packing houses. The Kansas City, Memphis and Birmingham railroad shipped out seventeen cars Friday. The quarantine limit was extended to March 1, after which time the business, except for points above the quarantine line, will cease. It is believed that shipments for the year will reach 40,000 head.

A Commendable Undertaking.

A chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy is being organized at Athens by a number of the ladies of the town. They have undertaken the work to secure money with which to erect a monument to the unknown Confederate dead who are buried at that place.

Lauderdale Will Organize.

Judge J. J. Mitchell, member of the executive committee of the State Agricultural Society, has issued a call to the farmers of Lauderdale county, requesting them to meet at Florence, March 7, for the purpose of forming a county agricultural society.

New Handle Factory.

The Gurley Handle company has been organized to manufacture all kinds of hickory handles.

Thread Mill at Athens.

A movement is under way to build a $25,000 thread mill at Athens. Only local capitalists are interested.

Will Build a Church.

The Christian congregation at Gurley have purchased a lot and will build a church at once.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

The annual encampment of the G. A. R. will meet in Decatur, March 4.

Frank Washburn, who killed a negro last year at Selma, has been sentenced to twenty years imprisonment.

Hon. Hannis Taylor, ex-minister to Spain, has announced himself a candidate for congress from the First district.

Pleas Ferrell, colored, was shot and instantly killed near Montgomery last week. Nat Waller has been arrested for the crime.

Bill Scott, the negro who murdered three of the Singley family near Greensboro some time ago, was hanged for the crime Friday.

J. M. Brooks & Co., of Evergreen, made a general assignment Friday to F. L. Hickox. The liabilities are estimated at $6,000, and assets $5,000.

The state executive committee of the republican party will meet in Birmingham between the middle and last of next month for the purpose of calling a state convention.

A white man supposed to be P. M. Boliver, of Alabama City, was run over and killed by a switch engine on the Alabama Great Southern road between Attalla and Gadsden.

Assistant Examiner Foster's report on the books and accounts of A. J. Esslinger, ex-tax collector of Madison county, snows that he failed to include the raises of tax valuations during the year 1893, and is consequently due the state $559.36.

Ed Spencer, a negro, died at Florence from the effects of a lot of whisky drunk a few nights ago. Spencer, in company with a lot of other negroes, drank whisky on a bet as to which could stand the larger number of drinks, and gulped down twenty-six drinks before he left the bar.

DEATH IN THE FLAMES.

Fearful Conflagration in Charleston, S. C., in Which Nine Lives Are Lost.

Nine lives were lost in a fearful fire which raged for a short while in Charleston, S. C., Saturday morning. At 2:30 o'clock a policeman on duty noticed big sparks flying from a tenement house on Church street. The officer found that a blaze was issuing from one of the windows on the first floor. Somebody yelled that a family of women were sleeping on the third floor. The police rushed up stairs and when they reached the top story the life saving work was stopped by the flames. Screams from dying women were heard and officers rushed in and pulled out three charred bodies.

The quick work of the fire department checked the fire and it was soon under control, but not until the lives on the third story had been lost. The dead are:

Mrs. Rebecca Knickemyer, Albert O'Neal, Caswell O'Neal, Josephine Knickemyer, 17 years of age; Katie Knickemyer, 16 years of age; Leonora Knickemyer, 9 years of age; Frances Knickemyer, 7 years of age; a baby of Mrs. Knickemyer. one month old; Lillie Knickemyer, 3 years old.

NO SUBMARINE MINES EXIST

In Havana Harbor, Says Senor Du Bose, the Spanish Representative.

In view of the widely-published report that the harbor at Havana contains a system of submarine mines, a statement around which has centered the chief public interest in connection with the disaster of the battleship Maine, Senor du Bose, Spanish charge d'affaires at Washington, has made to the Associated Press the following statement, which, coming from such authority, may be considered as an official denial:

"I wish to state on my own official knowledge that no mine exists inside or outside of Havana harbor; nor is there any submarine defense of any kind. The report is so absolutely false and ridiculous that it could only have originated in the minds of those persons auxious to incite the evil passions of both nations for their own miserable ends. I consider the very suggestion of such a thing an insult to Spain."

READY TO LAND TROOPS.

The Plant System Has Arranged to Transport Arms and Men to Cuba.

A special from Tampa, Fla., says: Although the officials of the company have not said so publicly, nearly everybody here understands that the Plant system has completed arrangements for the transportation of troops and munitions of war to Havana on short notice. All of their ships have been placed in condition for emergencies. Should war be declared it is said that they have perfected plans to land a large body of troops in Havana within thirty-six hours after their arrival at this place. Troops can be transported from Washington and New York to this port in from twenty-four to thirty hours. The company has also made arrangements, it is understood, to land promptly men and arms at Key West and all stragetic points on the coast of Florida and at Mobile.

SPANIARDS WANT WAR.

The Government Is Urged to Prepare to Strike the First Blow.

London—According to a special dispatch from Madrid, reports received there from the United States to the effect that public opinion in the latter country is becoming more excited, owing to the impression that the loss of the Maine was not due to an accident, are "restirring popular feeling here (in Madrid), and the conviction increasing in ministerial circles that the worst must be expected."

Continuing, the special dispatch says: "The government has no choice if the United States adopts a threatening attitude, for the prospect of war is popular with all parties, and the more excitable newspapers are already urging the government to take measures to enable Spain to strike the first and decisive blow."

President of Costa Rica Looks for War.

A dispatch to the New York Herald from Panama says: Advices received from Costa Rica state that at a banquet given Sunday night President Iglesias, in a speech, said the situation between Costa Rica and Nicaragua was such now that war was inevitable.

SPANISH STATESMEN AMAZED

At the Very Idea of Consenting to Sell Cuba.

The Madrid correspondent of the London Standard says:

Spanish statesmen of every shade of opinion are simply amazed and indignant at the idea that Spain would ever consent to sell Cuba. The suggestion would expose the monarchy to an irresistible movement of popular feeling, shared by the army and navy.

From a financier's view point, it is equally impossible, because the price suggested would not half cover the Cuban debt, which is almost entirely held by Spaniards.

Most Significant Orders Yet.

Orders have been issued to the Washington navy yard gun factory to ship at once the guns for the auxiliary cruisers. The secretary has also sent instructions to the owners of these cruisers to hold themselves in readiness for service at a moment's notice. This is one of the most significant orders that has yet been issued.

The crew of the steamer La Champagne, which was reported seven days overdue Saturday, has been picked up, and the vessel is safe on the banks of New Foundland.

OUTSIDE MEANS WERE USED

In Blowing Up the Maine Will Be the Report of the Board.

SURE THAT A MINE DID THE WORK.

Officials Figuring on the Cost of a Brush With Spain—Demand For Indemnity Equal to a Declaration of War—Torpedo Theory Established.

A special from Key West says: From all the testimony taken before the court of inquiry investigating the disaster to the Maine, there is, in the opinion of members of the board, but one conclusion to be reached, and that is, that the Maine was destroyed by external means. This will practically be the tenor of the report sent to the navy department.

Sure a Mine Did the Work.

A copyrighted cablegram to the Evening World, from Sylvester Scovel at Havana, says: "It is now absolutely certain that the battleship Maine was blown up by outside agencies. Divers working forward Saturday found absolute proof that the forward magazine, which alone could have so damaged the ship, was surely unexploded.

"Many divers were sworn today in the investigation of the board. There is no longer any doubt of finding the bottom plates blown up, and which show four feet above water.

"It is now believed by experts that a big torpedo or mine, aided by 500 pounds of saluting powder in the reserve magazine next to the big magazine, might have produced the actual results, both as regards extent and direction found in the wreck.

"Collapsed powder casks, found about the magazine, have hexagonal marks in the thin copper where the external pressure forced the hexagons into contact with the copper."

Figuring on the Cost of War.

It is figured that a war with Spain will cost not to exceed $75,000,000, of which no inconsiderable portion would be a permanent investment in the way of arms, equipment and fortifications. It might be much less, for the chances are favorable of Spain surrendering at the first blow. The United States has lost $300,000,000 already from the Cuban revolution. The shrinkage of values on the New York stock exchange alone present a total larger than the bill to be footed for the coming war.

A new danger confronts the administration. Letters are pouring in upon congress at the rate of 15,000 a day, and the number is increasing at an unparalleled rate, demanding a settlement of the Cuban question. The president has been advised for months that the next house of representatives is surely lost to the republican party if his policy fails to satisfy the country in this matter of the Maine and Cuba. The strain of the great crisis is telling heavily upon three of the most important factors of the situation.

Equivalent to Declaration of War.

The demand for indemnity, it is agreed in the state and navy departments, is equivalent to a declaration of war. Spain is not expected to accede to any such demand. The proposition is counted upon to create disturbance in Madrid and Havana. It is likely the navy department will enforce the demand by placing its ships in Cuban waters. Everybody in the state or navy department is willing to accept the demand for indemnity as another form of declaring war, and will be prepared to back up the demand in much the same manner as if congress actually came out in belligerent attitude toward the government at Madrid. The amount of indemnity, it is expected, will be in the neighborhood of $10,000,000. This is the estimate in the state department on the liberal basis that the lives lost in the disaster are each represented by the sum of $5,000, an amount stipulated by the civil service of this country as the legal value of a human life.

Conclusively Established.

The story of the finding of a ten-inch unexploded copper cylinder in the wreck of the Maine has been found correct.

MORE TORPEDO BOATS WANTED.

Naval Officers Urge the Strengthening of the Naval Militia.

A delegation of officers of the Naval Reserve of several of the Eastern states, headed by Captain Miller, of New York Naval Militia, and Commander Anderson, of Maryland, appeared before the naval committee of the house Friday to urge favorable action upon the bill introduced by Representative Bull, of Rhode Island, to increase the strength of the naval militia. The bill provides for the construction of twenty torpedo boats of 150 tons each, at a cost not exceeding $2,500,000, for the use of the naval militia.

GOT $4,000,000.

Insurgents Raid Two Plantations With Most Pronounced Success.

The insurgents have raided the Smith and Ranger plantations on the Canambo, in the Trinidad district, Cuba, and killed one and wounded five of the defenders, who numbered only seven. They burned all the buildings of Mr. Smith, and according to the Spanish account of the affair, took away or destroyed $200,000 worth of provisions and merchandise, and got $4,000,000 in money.

FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

The Senate—Monday.

The joint resolution providing for the bodies of the officers and men from the wrecked battleship Maine and for the recovery of valuable property on the ship, which was passed by the house last week, was presented to the senate and passed immediately. It carries an appropriation of $200,000. .... Mr. Hoar introduced a joint resolution directing the transfer of valuable historical documents from the several governments to the national library.... Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, introduced the following resolution: Resolved, That the committee on naval affairs be, and it is, hereby directed to make a thorough inquiry into the destruction of the battleship Maine in Havana harbor on the 15th inst., and report to the senate. The resolution was passed immediately without a word of debate.... Unobjected bills were passed as follows: Requiring masters and mates of sail vessels of over 700 tons to have license issued by United States inspectors; granting to the state of Wyoming 50,000 acres of land to aid in the continuation, enlargement and maintenance of the Wyoming state soldiers' and sailors' home; authorizing the White and Black River Valley Railroad Company to build a bridge across the Black river in Arkansas; to require patents to be issued to land actually settled under the act entitled "An act to provide for the armed opening and settlement of the unsettled part of the peninsula of Florida, approved August 4, 1842," and to amend an act to prohibit the passage of local or special laws in the territories to limit indebtedness, etc. .... Mr. Allen's resolution calling for senate investigation of the measure providing for the twelfth census was passed.

The House.

After the passage of twenty-two pension bills, the house went into committee of the whole on the private calendar. The first bill, to appropriate $15,000 for damage and injury sustained by Newberry college, South Carolina, while occupied by a New York regiment as a barracks, in 1865, after Lee's surrender, was favorably acted upon without a division. Two other minor bills were laid aside with favorable recommendations.... Mr. Railey moved that the house observe Washington's birthday by adjourning over tomorrow. Mr. Dingley opposed the motion, but it carried—58 to 35. At this moment the speaker announced that under the rule the house was in recess until 8 o'clock tonight, the evening to be devoted to private bills.

The Senate—Tuesday.

As soon as the reading of the historic farewell address of Washington was concluded by Mr. Lodge, in the senate today Mr. Hawley called up the bill providing for the enlistment of two additional regiments of artillery for service in manning the heavy coast defense batteries which congress has provided during the past two years. The war department estimates that the 1,600 men, which the bill calls for, will be necessary to properly man the guns. The bill went over.... Mr. Morgan, of Alabama, secured the adoption of the following resolution: "That the committee on naval affairs is instructed to inquire and report whether a man of war equal at least to any warship in the world, to be named the 'George Washington,' can be built, armed and commissioned within a period of twelve months by the use of the facilities of the ship yards, machine shops, mines and forests of the United States wherever the same are found, and that the committee has leave to report at any time by bill or otherwise." The senate then went into executive session.

The House.

Washington's birthday was celebrated in the house, after a motion of Mr. Bailey had been voted down, with a vast deal of political speech-making, and it was also signalized by the firing of the first gun in opposition to Hawaiian annexation. Mr. Johnson, an Indiana republican, delivered a speech that electrified the galleries in denunciation of the annexation policy of the administration. He spoke at length, and when he concluded the demonstration of approval was one of the greatest witnessed during this session of congress. The remainder of the day was consumed with political speeches.

The Senate—Wednesday.

While the senate had under consideration the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill today a sharp debate on the Cuban question was precipitated by Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, who offered as an amendment the resolution passed by the senate a year ago, recognizing the belligerent rights of the Cuban insurgents. The debate became general and occupied nearly four hours. The resolution provides for a committee of five senators who should go to Cuba and ascertain the precise situation on the island. Mr. Allen's amendment was finally ruled out of order, and the appeal from the ruling taken by Mr. Allen was laid on the table by a vote of 51 to 5. The senate then went into executive session, and soon after adjourned.

The House.

The sundry civil appropriation bill was again under discussion in the house today. The clause appropriating $75,000 to pay spies and informers for information in internal cases was stricken out by a vote of 69 to 63, and it was decided a victory for the democrats, inasmuch as it was a strict party vote, with the exception of Messrs. Leuney, Pearson and Mahoney, who voted with the democrats. Congressman Tate, of Georgia; Kitchen, of North Carolina, and Swanson, of Virginia, led the fight against the appropriation of the money with which to pay spies, and the republican side of the house being slim, they won.

The Senate—Thursday.

At the conclusion of the morning session, the vice-president laid before the senate the resolution of Mr. Allen which was laid over from yesterday. It provides for the appointment of five senators to make an inquiry into the condition of affairs in Cuba with a view to bringing the war to a peaceful end. Allen withdrew the motion.... Mr. Spooner made a constitutional argument in favor of seating Mr. Corbet. No vote was reached, however, and the contested case went over.... At this point it developed that there was no quorum present and the senate adjourned.

The House.

The house devoted itself strictly to business today and disposed of several additional pages of the sundry civil appropriation bill. Mr. Sayers criticised the item in the bill placing only the unexpended epidemic funds of past years at the disposal of the quarantine service. He thought $200,000 additional should be appropriated, and moved to increase the appropriation $200,000. The motion was lost. Mr. Cannon said that the largest amount expended in a previous year was $287,000, in 1894. Last year but $134,000 was spent. On February 1, 1898, there was an unexpended balance of $340,000. In his opinion that was sufficient. The discussion soon drifted into the advisability of the establishment of a national quarantine.... An amendment was adopted appropriating $6,300 for the Yeosemite national park, California.... The senate bill to prohibit the passage of local or special acts by territorial indebtedness was passed.

The Senate—Friday.

Hon. Henry W. Corbett's right to a seat in the senate from Oregon was under consideration by the senate this afternoon for five hours. Mr. Teller spoke in support of the resolution presented by a majority of a committee. Mr. Turley, of Tennessee, said the views he held would compel him to support the majority of the committee against the seating of Mr. Corbett. At 5:15 p. m. the senate went into executive session and at 5:25 p. m. adjourned.

The House.

The house today renewed the consideration of the sundry civil appropriation bill, and the greater part of the session was devoted to the discussion of the bill.... An unsuccessful effort was made to secure consideration of the bill passed by the senate for two additional regiments of artillery, but on objection from Mr. Cox, of Tennessee, it went over.... The house at 5 o'clock recessed until 8 p. m., the evening session to be devoted to private pension bills.

The evening session was largely wasted. Six private bills were ordered to be favorably reported to the house by the committee of the whole, but on the next Mr. Sullivan raised the point of no quorum, which was sustained, and at 10:30 p. m., the house adjourned.

TERSELY TOLD TELEGRAMS.

Simon Lazard, founder of the banking firm of Lazard-Freres, in Paris, is dead.

A. A. Henry, a traveling salesman of Philadelphia, committed suicide at St. Louis.

Mayor Carter H. Harrison, of Chicago, will write a book on the free silver question.

The 10-months-old child of George Allen, near Brownwood, Ga., was burned to death.

William Stewart, a brakeman on the L. & N. R. R., was killed while making a coupling at Humboldt, Tenn.

The president has sent the following nomination to the senate: William T. Fee, of Ohio, consul at Clenfuegos, Cuba.

The postoffice at Dalton, Ga., was entered last week, the safe blown open and $800 in money and stamps taken therefrom.

Cash Cramp, the 6-year-old son of a well-known carpenter at Rome, Ga., was burned to death by falling in an open fire-place.

Gen. W. B. Sayers, commander-in-chief of the United Confederate Veterans in Texas, died the past week at Gonzales, Texas.

Thursday's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, $225,619,058; gold reserve, $167,201,747.

The Bank of South Baltimore has failed. Liabilities are $170,000; assets, $120,000. Most of the depositors are poor people.

A fire in Dyersburg, Tenn., destroyed the plant of the Stivers Lumber Co. and twenty or thirty dwelling-houses, causing a loss of $200,000.

A reward of $200 has been offered by the postoffice authorities for the arrest of each party connected with the Dalton, Ga., postoffice robbery.

Ex-President Cassimir Perier, of France, in an interview with a New York Journal representative, says that France will not interfere in case of war between Spain and the United States.

The tenth annual session of the Sons of Veterans of Alabama and Tennessee, which convened in Knoxville the past week, have offered their services to the government in case of war with Spain.

Past Assistant Surgeon T. B. Bailey, U. S. N., was found dead in his room last week at the Albany hotel under conditions that lead to the belief that he had committed suicide by taking cocaine.

DUN'S REVIEW OF TRADE.

New Business for Dull Season is Unprecedented.

A CHECK IN THE ADVANCE OF WHEAT.

Industrial Production Continues Larger Than Ever—Remarkable Increase in Silk Manufacture—Demand for Iron Products is Heavy.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says in its issue of Saturday:

Foreign possibilities have affected speculation and caused hesitation in some large business operations, possibly accounting in part for a check in the rapid advance of wheat. But industrial production continues larger than ever, a few more works being added to the active list, with a decrease in the number of hands on strike and renewed evidence that the volume of business is larger than in February of any previous year. Nor is there any symptom of a senseless craze based on rising prices. The legitimate export and domestic demand presses closer to the capacity of works, and though there is no flighty advance in any line, in all narrowness of profit is a matter of complaint, new business for this dull season is unprecedented.

Wheat continued its progress upward until 1.08¾ was reached on Monday, but declined 3¼ later as if there were fears that Spain would some how stop British vessels from taking wheat across the water, but the price has advanced about 10 cents since Chicago speculators last took occasion to shake off weak followers and the opportunity for reaction was inviting. There was no abating of foreign demand. The spot price of cotton was not affected.

It is not the season for such improvement in textile manufacture, but the cotton branch has gained by the closing of the strike in one Fall River mill and by the addition of some works at the south.

The woolen manufactures meet many cancellanations, especially in goods sold early without definite price, but is doing more than ever at this season, though new business in the higher grades of worsteds and woolens is not particularly encouraging.

The silk manufacture shows a remarkable increase during the last six months, having imported raw material far in excess of consumption in any previous year and at a rate of 120 per cent. above the imports in the last census year.

The iron manufacture has more demand for products. No finished products have changed in price, and all are strong in demand excepting bar, which a combination has failed to advance. Some large contracts are reported, especially in car and bridge building, ship and structural work, and the demand for sheets is heavy.

TRIED TO KILL GREECE'S KING.

Shot at the Ruler But Missed Him and Hit the Footman.

An unsuccessful attempt was made Saturday to assasinate King George of Greece. The king was returning from Phagalerum at 5 o'clock in the evening in a landau, accompanied by the Princess Maria, when two men, who were hidden in the ditch alongside the road, opened fire with guns upon the occupants of the carriage.

The first shot missed, but the second wounded a footman in the arm. The coachman whipped up his horses and the royal party dashed away at a gallop. The miscreants fired several more shots after them, none of which took effect, and the king and princess returned to the palace unhurt.

Meeting of Railway Employes.

On March 12, 13 and 14 a mass meeting of representatives of all the organized railroad employes south of the Ohio river will be held in Chattanooga. The national officers of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, Order of Railway Conductors and Brotherhood of Railway Trainman have promised to be present and an attendance of several thousand members is expected. The object of the meeting is to bring about a more fraternal feeling among the southern trainmen and put them on a harmonious working basis.

OFFER TO THE INSURGENTS.

Virtually Confessing Failure of Autonomy Is Approved.

In the uncertainty of the relations of the United States, the importance of the recent action of the autonomist party in Cuba is overlooked. Its central committee has formally approved the plan, which is a confession of the failure of the present scheme of autonomy and an offer to the insurgents to concede everything except the withdrawal of the Spanish flag.

If ever negotiations are actually opened with the insurgents Govin's and the radical autonomists' proposition will be rejected.

British Flag Raised.

The steamer Noyo, which arrived at Seattle, Wash,, from Skaguay, Alaska, brings news which, if true, will probably cause international complications. Parties arriving at Skaguay before the vessel left circulated the report that the Canadian mounted police had raised the British flag at Summit Lake, which is twelve miles from Skaguay and fourteen miles inside the American boundary. Capt. Lindquist says the report had not been verified when he left Skaguay and that he places little credence in it.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR PROBATE JUDGE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Probate Judge of Shelby County, subject to the action of the primary election to be held on the 19th of March, 1898.

A. P. LONGSHORE.

FOR CIRCUIT CLERK.

The friends of John P. Pearson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on 19th of March, 1898.

The friends of R. T. Johnson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on the 19th of March, 1898.

We are authorized to announce John H. Leonard as a candidate for Clerk of the Circuit Court of Shelby county, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to held March 19th.

FOR COMMISSIONER.

The friends of W. N. Gilbert announce him as a candidate for commissioner from the Second District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to be held March 19th, 1898.

EDITOR ADVOCATE—Please announce Mr. D. C. Davis as a candidate for re-election to the office of Commissioner, from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the Populist and Republican parties, and oblige.

MANY FRIENDS.

The friends of John T. Glaze announce him as a candidate for Commissioner from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, on the 19th of March, 1898.

Mr. Editor.—Please announce W. C. Powers as a candidate for Commissioner from the second district, subject to the action of the Populist and Republican parties.

MANY FRIENDS.

Voting Qualifications.

The Vernon Courier says: "The pressure to have an educational qualification on the right to vote will be great in the next general assembly. In Lamar county it would debar about 800 men from voting. There would be about 500 white and 300 colored voters. Two hundred of the whites are old soldiers, many of whom have been good tax payers and have supported the public school system, in which younger men have learned to read a d write. They are now asked to help disfranchise their benefactors as well as their country's soldiers. This proposition, of course, meets with little encouragement here; but it would be well to have your candidate for representative say to you that no pressure will ever make him support a measure for a constitutional constitutional convention with this end in view. In other sections different surroundings prevail, and men can possibly give some reason for their opinions. In Lamar county the people say, let well enough alone.

Their Scheme Didn't Work.

The scheme didn't work in the Sam Moore suspension as tax assessor of Coosa county. Had it done so, all the other Populist officials in this county, as well as others all over the State would have had to pander to the wiley tricks and suggestions of the organized gang, or step down and out by suspension. Thanks to Providence, the Supreme Court Judges had some respect for themselves and the laws of the land in not going on record as sustaning this outrage.—Rockford Courier.

Brann, the famous Texas editor, will lecture in Montgomery on the 5th inst. He is editor of the Iconoclub, and has made a national reputation as a fighter, editor and lecturer.

Importance of Good Roads.

The roads of a country are its commercial arteries and the importance of keeping these arteries in good condition cannot be too strongly emphasized. In the south we have not given the subject of good roads the attention which it properly deserves, and the consequence is that our material development has been somewhat hindered on this account. But the future is still before us, and it lies within our power to atone in some measure for our past shortcomings by giving the subject of good roads more careful attention in the future. If we expect to secure for this section the industrial prestige to which its marvelous wealth entitles it, we cannot make a better start in this direction than by putting our roads in good condition.

Of course the farmer will be the first to experience the benefit of this improvement, but its sphere of influence will not be restricted to the farmer. Indirectly it will make itself apparent in the changed status of our people generally, and every interest of this section will derive fresh energy and life from its invigorating touch. Several days ago Professor W. C. Latta, of Purdue university, LaFayette, Ind., discussed the subject of good roads at some length in a public address. So thoroughly did this distinguished educator enter into the merits of the subject that some review of the salient poits of his address may not be amiss in this connection. Without going too much into detail, these points which seem to thoroughly condense the argument may be briefiy summarized as follows: First, good roads economize time and force in the labor of transporting products from the farm to the market: second, they enable the farmer to take advantage of market fluctuations in buying and selling; third, they permit transportation of farm products and purchased commodities during times of comparative leisure; fourth, they reduce the wear and tear on horses, harness and vehicles, and fifth, they enhance the market value of real estate. Each of these reasons separately considered is sufficient in itself to warrant our people in putting forth their utmost exertions to improve the condition of our roads and to keep them in a good condition. There is no telling what our farmers have lost, and, indirectly, what our people generally have lost, on account of bad roads; and withou allowing ourselves longer to remain indefferent to the claims of this important subject, it behooves us from this time forward to make our roads the objects of our special solicitude. When we begin to do this, prosperity, such as we have never before known in Dixie, will begin to reign throughout her borders.

One reason why the south has not taken more interest in the subject of good roads until the present time is due in part of the destitution in which the late war left her, and in part to the lack of sufficient agitation. For more than twenty years the south was compelled to struggle under the heavy burden of debt which the late war entailed upon her, and she lacked the means necessary for improving the condition of her roads; but things are now different. With the light of better days breaking upon her she is now possessed of ample means with which to devote herself to the task of improving the condition of her roads; and, moreover, she realizes, as she has never realized before, the importance of giving this subject her attention. She realizes that railway systems, no matter how much they may be multiplied and extended, cannot supply the deficiencies of country roads, and that if the resources of this section are ever fully developed, it must be accomplished through the agency of good road. With this conviction firmly stamped upon her mind, the south intends within the next few years to apply herself with fixed determination to the task of building up good roads, and over these good roads she intends to march with stately strides into the proud inheritance which lies before her.—Atlanta Constitution.

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The Tramp's Speech.

The tramp hastily swallowed down the drink, and as the rich liquor coursed through his blood he straightened himself and stood before them with a grace and dignity that all his rags and dirt could not obscure. "Gentlemen," he said, "I look to-night at you and at myself, and it seems to me I look upon the picture of my lost manhood. This bloated face was once as young and handsome as yours. This shambling figure once walked as proudly as yours, a man in a world of men. I too, once had home and friends and position. I had a wife as beautiful as an artist's dream, and I dropped the priceless pearl of her honor and respect in the wine cup, and, Cleopatra-like, saw it dissolve, and quaffed it down in the brimming draught. I had children as sweet and lovely as the flowers of spring, and I saw them fade and die under the blighting curse of a drunken father. I had a home where love lit the flames upon the altar and mini-tered before it, and I put out the holy fire and darkness and desolation reigned in its stead. I had aspirations and ambitions that soared as high as the morning star, and I broke and bruised their beautiful wings, and, at last, strangled them that I might be tortured with their cries no more. To-day I am a husband without a wife, a father without a child, a tramp with no home to call his own, a man in whom every good impulse is dead. All, all swallowed up in the maelstrom of drink." The tramp ceased speaking. The glass fell from his nerveless fingers and shivered into a thousand fragments on the floor. The swinging doors pushed open and shut and when the little group about the bar looked up the tramp was gone.—Selected.

Too Bad.

In answer to a question, Hon. W. F. Aldrich writes a constituent that all the seeds for the 4th district were placed at the disposal of Capt. Plowman, and that he did not have a single one for any of his friends. For weeks before the di cision of the contest case the mails were crowded with seeds sent out to democrats by Capt. Plowman. Did congress donate the seeds to democrats alone?

Now Wants a Division.

Middlesboro, Ky., Feb. 26.—A card in a local newspaper asking ex-Confederates to form a regiment to serve in case of war with Spain has brought more than enough responses to fill the ranks from Southwest Virginia, East Tennessee and Kentucky. The originator of the idea now contemplates the formation of a division to be commanded by Fitzhugh Lee.

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WITNESSES AND JURORS.

How They are Affected by the New Code.

The Birmingham News of a recent date published the following synopsis of the effect of the provisions of the new Code as to the payment of jurors and witnesses:

"Under the new Code of Alabama, which is now out, witnesses in the criminal court and before the grand jury will be paid but 50 cents per day for attendance and 3 cents for each mile they will have travelled. Under the old Code witnesses are entitled to $1.50 a day for attending and 5 cents for each mile travelled.

"Section 4583 of the new Code reads as follows: 'Witnesses in criminal cases are entitled to 50 cents per day and 3 cents for each mile to and from their residence by the usual travelled route and all necessary ferriage and tolls.'

"The Code containing the above was approved on February 16, 1897. Two days later House bill No. 1057 was approved and reads in part as follows: 'Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Alabama, That whenever a defendant is convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary the following items of cost in the case shall be paid out of the convict fund, to the extent and manner hereinafter prescribed, * * * State witness fees which are fixed at 75 cents per diem before the grand jury and 75 cents per diem before the court of codviction. and 5 cents per mile for each mile travelled.'

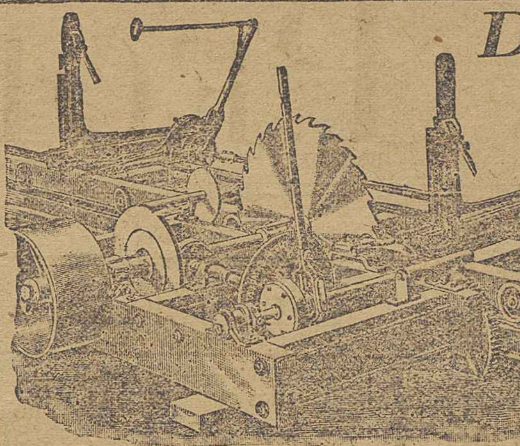
"The above holds good and witnesses in cases in which the defendant is found guilty and sentenced to the penitentiary receive certificates for 75 cents for each day's attendance and 5 cents for each mile travelled. But in case where there is no conviction and in all misdemeanor cases the witnesses will receive certificates for 50 cents per day and 3 cents for each mile travelled."

"Under the law there will be numbers of witnesses who will actually have to pay out money to attend court and testify. For instance, a man living ten miles from the city is summoned. He buys a ticket at an expenditure of 30 cents and arrives in the city. He is in attendance upon the court for one day, for which he receives a certificate for 50 cents. He will have travelled twenty miles on reaching home and he receives a certificate for 60 cents, 3 cents a mile, mileage, the two certificates amounting to $1.10. If he sells the certificates to the script buyer, as 99 out of every 100 do, he will receive 25 cents for the wo. A ticket home costs him 30 cents and when he gets back that night he will have lost a day, spent 25 or 50 cents for a dinner, spent 60 cents car fare and received 25 cents! If, on the other hand, he decided to hold his certificates he will, in the course of about six years, receive his 55 cents for the two—5 cents less than he paid out in cash for tickets!

"The witness who lives in the city and is summoned in a misdemeanor case or in a case where there is no conviction, will receive a certificate for 50 cents for which the script buyer will pay him from 10 to 15 cents, according to the nature of the case. Under which circumstances it is not probable that people will fall over each other in their eagerness to attend criminal court and testify."

The following from the T. P. A. News Letter and Organizer, has a true American ring and echoes the sentiments of every T. P. A.:

Every American citizen, no matter what his political faith may be, is ready to stand by President McKinley in the grave position of responsibility he is in, pertaining to the Cuban complications. His prudence is commendable, for war is the acme of human barbarity, passion, misery and suffering. Any sacrifice, except the sacrifice of national honor, should be made to avoid the horrors of war, but when the catastrophe to the Maine is considered, and when it is so evident that the negotiations all along have been characterized by deception, dissimulation, malice, arrogance and treachery, all of which are Spanish national characteristics, one begins to fell like Capt. Bob Evans (Fighting Bob), who said that if the government would give him fighting orders and let him put to sea, that nothing but Spanish would be spoken in hell for several years.



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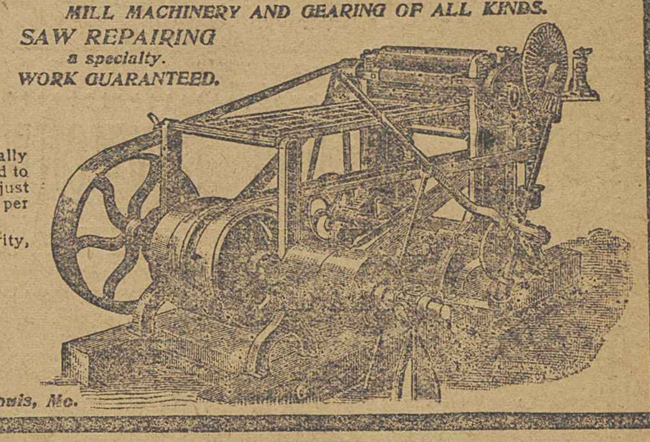

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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of two Fi. Fa. issued from the Circuit Court of Shelby County, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell, in front of the Court House, in the town of Columbiana, on the 7th day of March, 1898, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

The north east quarter of the north east quarter of section 23, and the south half of the south half of the south east quarter of section 14, township 22, range 1 west, except the following portions of said land heretofore sold off by John S. Storrs, to the parties named, and the rights-of-way of said parties of ingress and egress from their lots over said land to the public road, or any streets that may be opened most convenient to the same, to-wit: Alex Howel, from the south east corner of south east quarter of south east quarter of section 14, township 22, range 1 west, run south 85 degress, west 30 feet, thence 3 degress, 30 west, 300 feet to point; thence south 72 degress west, 141 feet to a place of beginning; thence south 63 degress, west 150 feet to a point; thence north 40 degrees west, 290 feet, 6inches to a point; thence north 63 degrees, east 150 feet to point, thence south 40 degrees, east 290 feet 6 inches to point of beginning, containing one (1) acre more or less, being the lands upon which the residence of said Alex Harvel is located. Smith Peoples, from the south east corner of south east quarter of south east quarter of section 14, township 22, range 1 west, run south 85 degrees, west 30 feet; thence north 3 degrees "30," west 300 feet to point; thence south 72 degrees, west 141 feet to a place of beginning; thence north 60 degrees, east 150 feet to point; thence north 40 degrees, west 290 feet 6 inches to point; thence south 60 degrees, west 150 feet to point; thence south 40 degrees, east 290 feet 6 inches to place of beginning, containing one acre more or less, being land upon which said Smith Peoples residence is located. Puston McGhee and Joe Beasley: Commencing at the south east corner of north east quarter of north east quarter of north east quarter of section 23, township 22, range 1 west, run westerly 5 degrees, south 235 feet to point of beginning; thence north 578 feet 3 inches to point; thence west parallel with section line 208 feet 3 inches; thence south 278 feet 3 inches, thence easterly 208 feet 3 inches to point of beginning; said land embracing the residence of Joe Beasley and Puston McGhee and containing about two and one-half acres. P. B. Harrell: from the north east corner of south east quarter of south east quarter of section 14, township 22, range 1 west, run south 220 yards; thence west 35 yards to point of beginning; from this point run south 191 feet 5 inches; thence west 12 degrees, north 245 feet 4 inches, thence north 116 feet 9 inches; thence east 225 feet to point of beginning, containing 3,850 square yards more or less, also commencing at north west corner of above described land conveyed to Howell, run westerly 110 yards to point of beginning; thence westerly 202 degrees 5," thence back to point of beginning; thence south 116 feet 9 inches; thence west 23½ degrees north 229 feet. Henry Storrs: Commencing at the north east corner of south east quarter of south east quarter of section 14, township 22, range 1 west, run south 220 yards to point of beginning; thence south 200 feet; thence west 1 degree 45," north 105 feet 3 inches, thence north 19 feet 5 inches; thence east 105 feet to point of beginning, containing about 2,159 square yards.

The following portion of land is also reserved by the said grantors, to-wit: From the south east corner of the south east quarter of south quarter of section 14, township 22, range 1 west, run south 85 degrees, west 30 feet to point of beginning; thence continue south 85 degrees, west 290 feet 6 inches to point; thence north 3 degrees 30," west 150 feet to a point: thence north 85 degrees, east 290 feet 6 inches to point; theoce south 3 degrees 30," east 150 feet to a place of beginning, containing one acre more or less. Also the north east quarter of south west quarter of south east quarter; the north west quarter of south east quarter of south east quarter; the south west quarter of the north east quarter, the south east quarter of north west quarter of south east quarter, all in section 14, township 22, range 1 west, except four acres, which immediately surrounds the house in which W. R. Carter resides, which said four acres are hereby described as follows, to-wit: Block No. 8 of the land and town lots of the Shelby Land Company as shown on the map and plan of survey of the land and town lots of the Shelby Land Company. Also the south west qvarter of the north east quarter of section 6, township 24, range 15 east. Also part of south east quarter, section 14, township 22, range 1 west. Part of north east quarter of north east quarter, section 23, township 22, range 1 west, and south west quarter of north east quarter of section 6, township 24, range 15 east Also excepting Blocks 7, 11, 12 and 13, also lots No. 1. 2 and 3 in Block No. 20, lots No. 1, 2, 3 und 4, in Block No. 28, lots No. 7, 3 and 16 in Block No. 27, lots No. 3, 4 and 5 in Block No. 31, lots No. 7 and 8 in Block No. 35.

All situated in Shelby County, Alabama.

Levied upon as the property of Shelby Land Comyany, to satisfy said Fi. Fas. in my hand in favor of Browne & Leeper and John Storrs.

This 31st day of January, 1898.

F. F. VEST, Sheriff.

Notice No. 19519.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., January 28, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court, at Columbiana, Ala., on March 10th, 1898, viz: Robert J. McGuire, Homestead entry No. 26,748, for the NE¼ of SW¼, sec. 6, tp. 20 south of range 2 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Ruben T. Gilliam, Quito, Ala., Paul Nabors, William Payne, Henry C. Taul, all of Pelham, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER, Register.

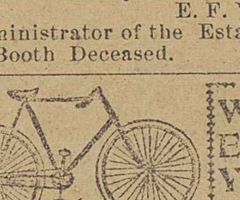
APPLICATION TO SELL LAND

STATE OF ALABAMA, SHELBY COUNTY. } PROBATE COURT SHELBY COUNTY ALA.

Under and by virtue of an order and decree of the Honorable D. R. McMillan, Judge of Probate for Shelby county, Ala., I, as administrator of the estate of William Booth, deceased, will sell at public oui cry, to the highest bidder for cash, at Montevallo, Ala., on Wednesday, the 16th day of March, 1898, during the legal hours of sale, for the purpose of distribution among the heirs of said place, all the following described real estate belonging to the estate of William Booth deceased, viz: The northeast quarter of the southeast quarter, and part of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section 20, township 21, range 4 west, containing 74 acres more or less, and situated in Shelby county, Ala.

This the 22d day of February, 1898.

E. F. VEST,
Administrator of the Estate of William Booth Deceased.



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No. *20	STATIONS.	No. *19
3.25pm	lv. Selma ar	11.28am
5.11pm	... Montevallo ..	9.25am
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4.30am	5.45am	lv .Akron...ar	6.45pm	6.45pm
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8.30am	8.30am	....Marion Jct...	2.35pm	3.4 pm
9.5am	9.50am	ar...Selma...lv	1.50pm	3.00pm

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Ar Salisbury	6.40pm	6.00am
Ar Greensboro	9.52pm	8.50am
Ar Raleigh	7.10am	11.45am
Ar Norfolk	....	5.25pm
Ar Washington	6.42am	9.25pm
Ar New York	12.43pm	6.23am

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Ar Charlottesville	3.34am	5.15pm
Ar Washington	6.42am	9.25pm
Ar Baltimore	8.00am	11.25pm
Ar Philadelphia	10.15am	2.56am
Ar New York	12.43pm	6.23am

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Non-Resident Notice.

State of Alabama, Shelby County. } Probate Court, Special Term, Jan. 17th, 1898.

This day came Mary T. Taylor and her husband J. N. Taylor, and filed in this court their application in writing, alleging that they and John Jones, Mariah Searight and Emeline Sanders are the joint owners of certain real property described in their said petition, and that said property can not be equitably partitioned or divided without a sale thereof, and asking for an order to sell same. The 21st day of February, 1898, was appointed a day for the hearing of said petition; and, as it appears that the said John Jones, Mariah Searight and Emeline Sanders, reside without this State, in the State of Texas, their postoffice being unknown. It is, therefore, ordered that notice of said petition, and of the time and place set for hearing the same, be given by publication for three successive weaks in the People's Advocate, a newspaper published in Columbiana, in said county.

D. R. McMILLAN,
jan. 20-3. Judge of Probate.

Probate Notice.

State of Alabama, Shelby County. } Probate Court.

Estate of William Booth, deceased. Letters of Administration on the Estate of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 18th day of October 1897, by the Hon. D. R. McMillan, Judge of the Probate Court of Shelby County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate, are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law, or the same will be barred.

E. F. VEST,
Administrator.

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SOCIAL AND LOCAL NEWS.

Points About People You Know and Some You Don't Know. News From Different Beats.

See legal "ads" in this issue.

W. P. Thomas spent Saturday in Montevallo.

Tax assessor Pitts, of Vincent, is in the city.

R E. Cosper, of Sterrett, was in the city Monday.

D. C. Davis, of Vincent, was in the city Saturday.

Ex-Gov. Cobb has been attending court here this week.

Capt. J. L. Walthall, of Harpersville, was in the city Tuesday.

Mrs. W. A. Tallant is visiting relatives and friends in Calera.

Messrs. H. C. DuBose and J. T. Leeper spent Sunday at Sterrett.

M. M. Robertson, of beat 10, is serving as a petit juror this week.

A. P. Longshore, Esq., transacted business at Longview Tuesday.

Mrs. Mary Parker visited Montevallo Sunday, returning Monday.

Mrs. W H Kidd, of Vincent, is visiting relatives and friends in the city.

County court is in session this week, Judge D. R. McMillan presiding.

Will Harrell spent several days in Birmingham last week with friends.

Tom Evans, of the Southern Railway, is visiting relatives in the city.

W. S. Cary and J. M. Reynolds, of Montevallo, were in the city Monday.

John M. Fancher, of Montevallo, attended court here the fore part of the week.

Hon. E. H. Dryer, of Talladega, is in the city this week on legal business.

E. Duramus, of Wilsonville, is in attendance upon county court this week

Dixon McLendon, of Calera, is in attendance upon county court as a juror this week.

W. E. Brinkerhoff and J. W. Pilgreen, of Calera, were in the city a short while Monday.

Commissioner Shaw, of Aldrich, was in attendance upon commissioners court Saturday.

Jasper Snyder, who has been in the city for several months, left Tuesday for Atlanta, his future home.

Among those who attended court at Birmingham as witnesses last week, were Messrs. E. W. Chapman, Will Page, J. B. German and P. G. Trent.

If this issue of the Advocate is lacking, especially editorially, please bear with us and watch these columns next week, for the cause—see?—

In another column will be found the advertisement of Laura C. Armstrong & Co. When in town don't fail to call around and see their new millinery.

Our people were given a literary treat on last Friday evening, when Dr. J. A. B. Lovett, of Bessemer, delivered an instructive lecture on "Organized Manhood."

Broad ax tobacco, 138 red spits to every chew, guaranteed to have no wind shakes or peckerwood holes. Sold only by

J. H. Hammond.

A very interesting program has been arranged by Miss McGehee for her recitation to be given tomorrow, (Friday) evening at the Public School Building, and it is to be hoped that it will be well attended

Commissioners court was in extra session Saturday, looking after the smallpox cases at Montevallo and Vandiver. The salary of the county health officer was increased and other steps taken to prevent the spread of the disease.

In another column of this issue will be found the announcement of Mr. John H. Leonard, of Longview, for Clerk of the Circuit Court, subject to the Peoples Party primary on the 19th of March. Mr. Leonard is a young man, a native of Shelby county, and if elected will make a good officer. He is an A. B. graduate of the Southern University, and fully qualified to discharge the duties of the office.

GRAND AND PETIT JURORS.

Drawn to Serve at Spring Term of Circuit Court.

GRAND JURORS.

G C Baine, H I Howard, J M Crenshaw, E C Lyde, W D Lacy, R A O'Hara, J B Jones, Rufus Lester, John M Fancher, Robert J Byers, L R Kendrick, Helton Davis, W R Little, John Bishop, Jr., I W Baily, J S Carden, G M D Ray, J E Adams, Elijah Stinson, R M Borum, J C Harmon.

PETIT JURORS—FIRST WEEK.

J L Wyatt, J F McCary, W F Seale, N W Wood, Thomas H Arkinson, T J Bierley, M E Howard, E L Garrett, D C Heaton, C E Essman, Sam M Lawley, W A Hooker, W I Whitfield, G T Fulton, James Dawson, D G Richardson, W H White, T J Weaver, John Crim, M T Horton, Bob Bazemore, T G Florey, A R Honeycutt, D C Glenn, J Crim, George W Shaw, C W Wade, John M Lacey, W R Alexander, J O Moore.

PETIT JURORS—SECOND WEEK.

Charles A Evans, John W Jones, Jr., W B Douglass, R J Farr, W T Goodwin, G W Mooney, A J DeShaze, John T Boothe, L W Hartsfield, E L Fulton, W J Atkinson, W W Elliott, J F Baker, Z A Bailey, J H McCall, N J Acker, S J Hinton, B E Bush, J J Keith, L G Lipsey, W A Norris, L W Chesser, J I Kinnett, John Zessick, Charles P McLane, S H Pledger, J F Lee, George P. Martin, Ollie Attaway, J F Holwell.

PETIT JURORS—THIRD WEEK.

John Cunningham, W H Wyatt, M E Lawler, Jackson Smith, J W Cost, David Farr, S A Kendrick, J C Mims, R T Gillian, W L Garrett, J T Wilder, Wm Benton, G M Weathers, J M Alexander, N M Davis, W T Harless, Joe Pich, D G Baker, John H McMath, R A Carden, J R Harless, T C Davidson, B W Gilbert, J K M Bunn, F M Hattaway, C A Glaze, E A Lee, W B Bagwell, W M Galaway, J S Nations.

Notice.

The following named persons have letters and postal cards remaining uncalled for, and unless claimed by April 1st, will be sent to the dead letter office:

JOHN W. PITTS,
Postmaster.

Wm. Broth, Jordan Bynum, George Harding, A. A. Jones, Miss Cora Roper, Josephine Wilson.

Dr's. John and Hart Williams and J. E. Seale, all of the firm of J. E. Seale & Co., were called to Birmingham last Friday on a charge of selling spiritous, vineous or malt liquors, while these gentlemen were doing a drug business. All who know these gentlemen, have the utmost confidence in their integrity and honesty, and know them to be good, law abiding citizens. It appears, from their pleas, that they did sell alcohol on prescriptions when it was absolutely necessary that their patients should have stimulants, not knowing that even this was a violation of the law. It appears to us that the law is stringent in some things and very slack in others. Why don't the officers get in behind those who sell straight whiskey here?

Considerable improvements are being made in town now, and everything is lively. Longshore & Beavers have remodeled and refurnished their law offices. A new barber shop is in the course of construction, Hammond, the grocer, has grown too large for his quarters, and Squire Peters had an addition built, as was stated last week. The negroes are building a two story house for their Masonic Lodge. There are others "too numerous to mention."

W. C. Powers announces to-day his candidacy for re election to the office of Commissioner from the second district. Mr. Powers has made a faithful officer, and if elected his experience will enable him to serve his constituents to better advantage.

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The best salve in the world for cuts, Bruises, Sore, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For Saleby Hall Drug C0., Columbiana, Alabama.

The Columbiana Mercantile company will pay from 8 to 13 cents for dry hides.

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Vincent.

J. F. Pope, of Wilsonville, was in our village last week.

We learn that Mrs. W. C. Adams of this community, is confined to her room very sick, but trust she will soon recover.

We notice county court is in session this week. From what I can learn, the tax payers are in favor of doing away with the jury part of the court, and have it as of old. This they claim will prevent an increase in the tax of the county, which will shurely come if not despensed with.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Florey will be at home to their friends at the Mrs. Key residence at Harpersville this next week, where they will reside in the future.

J. F. Pope & Co., of this place, brought in a fine car load of mules and horses last week, and we learn about half of them have been disposed of already. This is the second car load.

Quite a number of our citizens attended Birmingham Mardi Gras last week. Soms on their return reported it a success, while others say it was not so good.

We understand a movement was on foot last week by some of our physicians of Montevallo, Columbiana and Calera, to have our county commissioners to inforce compulsory vaxination in Shelby county. This they descided was too big a job for our physicians, and did not think it was necessary and suggested that every man be vaxinated that wanted to, and they would furnish the vaxcine matter, and recommended that the cities of Calera, Columbiana and Montevallo could do as they deemed best. They took into consideration that three-fourths of the population of Shelby are laborers and could do nothing for their support with a lame arm, and then again they are trying to get our county free of debt without having to levy more tax on the people, and they are correct.

OCCASIONAL.

Sunday School.

At a recent meeting of the Executive Committee of the Alabama State Sunday School Association, arrangements were made to hold the next Annual Convention in Birmingham, April 19-21. We hope soon to be able to publish the program in full.

These annual gatherings of the Sunday School folks are growing greatly in interest and attendance. At the meeting held in Tuscaloosa last spring the delegates numbered between four and five hundred; and the indications are that the one soon to meet in Birmingham will greatly outnumber that one. A large number of prominent workers from outside of the State have promised to be in attendance to assist and council with the home workers. All officers of the State, County and Beat Associations, Pastors and Superintendents are authorized delegates to the Convention. Also one other representative from each Sunday School. Now is time to commence to make arrangements so as to be sure to be present. Birmingham has thrown open her doors and extends a hearty welcome.

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TO CONSUMPTIVES.

The undersigned having been restored to health by simple means, after suffering for several years with a severe lung affection, and that dread disease CONSUMPTION, is anxious ot make known to his fellow sufferers the means of cure. To those who desire it, he will cheerfully send (free of charge) a copy of the prescription used which they will find a sure cure for CONSUMPTION, ASTHMA, CATARRH, BRONCHITIS, and all throat and lung MALADIES. He hopes all sufferers will try his remedy, as it is valuable. Those desiring the prescription, wich will cost them nothing, and may prove a blessing, will please address.

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Regular size 50 cents and $1.00.

Lewis Blows.

Health not good.

Miss Ida Farr is not improving as we would like to see her.

John and George Powell paid Columbiana a visit Monday.

Rev. R. A. Kidd occupied the pulpit at Fourmile Sunday, and delivered a very interesting sermon to an attentive congregation.

Ed. Strickland and brother, of Columbiana, spent Saturday night and Sunday here, visiting relatives.

Miss Alma Jackson is seriously ill at this writing. We hope for her an early recovery.

Messrs. J. D. Milam and Wilson Jones, of Vincent, visited relatives here Sunday. Come again, you are welcome visitors.

W. A. Lyon transacted business here one day last week.

E. S. Kytle was among his friends here Sunday.

Mrs. Milam, who has been visiting relatives at Maylene, returned home last Friday.

Prof. L. B. Riddle spent a day or two over near Saginaw last week.

Died, At her mothers' residence in this community on the 24th inst., Miss Mary, the daughter of Mrs. Jennie Elliott, after a long lingering of sickness. She was a bright, sensible, but not a healthy girl. She was afflicted and had suffered untold pain, and God has thought it best to take her home to himself where she will be free from all pain and sorrow. She was a faithful member of the Methodist Episcopal church. Weep not, for dear relatives she has bidden you farewell, but not forever. She has gone to Heaven where God will watch over her, where she will be happy forever more, and she will await your coming. So weep not for her, but strive to meet her in the bright eternity, where there is no sorrow, pain or death, be ready for the summons when it may come. Her remains were laid to rest in the Johnston cemetery on the 25th, at 12 m. She leaves a mother, two sisters and one brother and many relatives and friends to mourn her death.

SAGER

Cobb Tips.

Health of community not good.

We are having some cold weather at present.

Mrs. Sarah Farr is very low with pleurisy.

L. A. Bradley passed through our community last week en route to Birmingham.

Huston Nelson went to Sterrett Sunday.

Several of our people attended service at Union Sunday.

We learn that Prof. J. M. Baldwin will take up school at Cobb Institute in June. He is a good instructor.

Calvin Archer was visiting home folks and "somebody" Sunday.

Rev. J. C. Francis filled his regular appointment at Tabor the second Sunday.

The Lewis, Allen Lumber company's tram line is being built right along, under foreman Levil.

The wedding bells have sounded in these parts, on the 12th inst., Mr. Harmon E. Archer and Miss Lizzie Nelson were happily joined together at the brides home, Rev. S. S. Crumpton officiating. We hope for them a prosperous and happy life.

BLOCKHEAD.

A BARGAIN

The first man that applies with two hundred and fifty dollars cash can buy the

WEAVER PLACE

on the Mountain, with 22 acres of land attached. The house cost five times the amount asked for the place.

Call at The Advocate Office for further particulars.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of attachment issued from the Clerk of Circuit Court of Shelby County, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell in front of the Court House door, in the town of Columbiana, on the 8th day of March, 1898, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

One ox, with white back and belly, with brass knobs on horns.

Attached as the property of Barney Roper and Whitman Roper, to satisfy said attachment in my hands in favor of James A. Whitfield.

This 25th day of February, 1898.

E. F. VEST, Sheriff.

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Sterrett.

Health of community good.

Well Mr. Editor, I come again to be one of your correspondents.

Our pastor, Rev. J. W. Lawley, preached a very interesting sermon here Sunday.

Messrs. J. T. Leeper and Ham DuBose, of Columbiana, spent Saturday night with Dr J. J. DuBose.

Mrs. Elsie Green, of Woodlawn, is visiting Sterrett this week.

The singing at Dr. J. J. DuBose was a grand success, and we kindly thank Misses Maud Byers and Belle Falkner for their nice music.

Misses Lela Turner, Minnie Jarrett and May Stewart spent last week in Woodlawn.

The candy breaking at Mr. Baugh's last Friday night was enjoyed by all.

The farmers are very busy fencing in new grounds and rolling logs, preparing for farming.

Messrs. J. R. and L. M. Dyke are visiting Columbiana this week.

Tommie Falkner is visiting in Bessemer this week.

Mr. J. Falkner made a flying visit to Birmingham last week.

Roden Falkner, of the Sylacauga School, spent Saturday and Sunday with home folks.

QUAKER.

Center Point Dots.

Health of our community very good.

Rev. Jim McGiboney preached a very interesting sermon at Goodhope last Sunday.

Mrs. Mollie Curlee, of this community, visited relatives at Shelby last Friday.

Miss Ida Williams, of Birmingham, and Miss Belle Seale visited the family of William Seale last Thursday.

Mrs. Jane Seale and Miss Ida Williams visited relatives on Waxahatchie last week.

We learn that the singing given to the young people by Mr. Green Merrell last Sunday out at Kewahatchie, were reported by Misses Roxie and Ada Curlee and their best, Messrs. John Merrell and Alvis Lovett a success. Call again, you are more than welcome boys.

Mrs. J. M. Pattridge is quite ill at this time. She has been quite sick now for some time.

We are proud to have such pretty weather as we have been having for the past week.

SNIDER.

Yellow Leaf.

There are some sickness in the neighborhood.

Ed. Carden, of Harpersville, spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives on Yellow Leaf.

Miss Mattie Henderson was the guest of Miss Tinnie Lyons Saturday night and Sunday.

The rider of the yellow pony has changed horses, and he now rides a long-legged mule, and now he means business.

C. M. Fancher and lady attended services at Wilsonville Sunday.

Farmers are badly behind with their work, but if it stays fair they will soon catch up with their work.

W. C. Carden and wife and two daughters are down with the fever. We hope to see them out soon.

Henry Jackson, of Wilsonville, went to Weldon on business last Saturday, and as he returned he killed some birds.

YOUNG JOE.

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Having bought out J. E. Seale & Co., in the drug business. we take this method of informing our friends that we propose to continue the business at the old stand

All accounts due J. E. Seale & Co., will be paid to us, and all claims against said firm will be presented to us for payment.

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RESPECTFULLY,

Hall Drug Company, Columbiana, Ala.

Announcement.

Candidates wishing Republican suppoat will do well to make it known through the columns of the Alabama Time Piece, Aldrich, Alabama, the only Republican organ of Shelby.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of one Fi Fa, issued from the Chancery Court of Shelby county, Sixth District north-eastern chancery division, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell in front of the court house in the town of Columbiana, Ala., on the 21st day of March, 1898, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

The east half of the northeast quarter, section 34, township 21, range 3 west, A so one dwelling house and lot in the town of Montevallo, said house is now occupied by H. R. Wells, formerly known as the Tom Wells house; bounded on the south by the Sam Allen lot, fronting street running from foot bridge to Southern Railroad. All in Shelby County, Ala.

Levied upon as the property of H. R. Wells, to satisfy said Fi Fa in my hands in favor of the American Mortgage Company of Scotland, Limited.

This 14th day of February, 1898.

E. F. VEST, Sheriff.

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Notice No. 19518.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., January 28, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court, at Columbiana, Ala., on March 10th, 1898, viz: Ruben Gilliam, Homestead entry No. 25,745, for the NW¼ of NE¼, NE¼ of NW¼, sec. 34, tp. 19 south range 2 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Robert J. McGuire, Quito, Ala., John W. Walker, Highland, Ala., Andrew N. Wilson, Highland, Ala., Rufus M. Acton, Pelham, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER, Register.

The valuation of Milwaukee has increased in ten years from $88,972,180 to $144,683,425, or 62 per cent. The bonded debt has increased from $2,134.000 to $6,352,250. or 132 per cent.

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A. C. 9

John D. Rockefeller has given to the city of Cleveland, for park purposes, land valued at $50,000.

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Herbert Spencer is still living at Brighton, England. It is doubtful whether he will ever return to London. He is reported to be in exceedingly feeble health, suffering from an affection of the heart.

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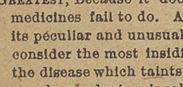

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ITEMS OF INTEREST ON NUMEROUS FEMININE TOPICS.

Came to America to Study Farming---Hair Nets---Dressing on From $50 to $200 per Year---Use of False Hair, Etc., Etc.

CAME TO AMERICA TO STUDY FARMING.

Madame Bokaseff, a Russian lady, who is at present in America studying farming and dairy business, and who is an expert in sunflower culture, says she keeps a farm for the special rearing of the sunflower in her native country, and that a relative of hers was the first to obtain oil from the seed. She resolved, should she find in the state a tract with soil and climatic conditions favorable to the growth of the plant, to start the cultivation of the sunflower on an extensive scale, and also to erect mills for the extraction of the oil.—London Echo.

HAIR NETS.

Hair dressers say there is such a demand for hair nets that it is difficult to meet it. Two kinds are used so far, the invisible net, made of the hair, and the old-fashioned heavy net, woven of fine silk tape. However, word comes from Paris that beaded and jewelled nets have been adopted there, and dealers say they will make their appearance here soon. The most stylish are wrought with tiny gold beads or those of cut steel, though some women with pocket books longer than their heads have nets made to order jewelled with precious gems. Hair and silk tape nets vary in price from 10 to 50 cents. The handsome ones, of course, come higher.—New York World.

DRESSING ON FROM $50 TO $200 A YEAR.

It is the aim of all women to make the money which they are able to spend on their wardrobe go as far as possible. To assist them and point out the true economies of dress, Emma M. Hooper details, in the Ladies' Home Journal how to dress on $50, $100, $150 and $200 per year. She proves that it is possible for a woman to dress neatly for the first-named sum, and shows how much better she can dress for the larger amounts by a sensible, systematic and intelligent expenditure of money than by the usual haphazard way of buying.

USE OF FALSE HAIR.

In a brochure on the toilet "by a professional beauty," a short chapter is devoted to false hair, the care and use of it. Probably few women who are obliged to wear false hair give it any thought after it is laid on the dressing table. This authority asserts, however, that it should be as carefully brushed and combed every night as natural hair; only in this way can it be kept clean and fresh. It is also suggested that it be put in a covered box of sandal wood whenever it is not on the head. In a New York woman's dressing room is a small box table with pink enamel paint inside and out. To a curious visitor the owner disclosed the interior, which is divided into several compartments of irregular lengths, at the bottom of each of which is a silken sachet filled with Florentine orris and violet powder. Switches, puffs, and curls rested lightly in their proper nests. "A notion of my maid," explained the woman, whose hair matched that in the box, with a laugh, "to preserve and perfume madame's coiffures."

EXERCISES TO DEVELOP GRACEFULNESS.

"The face of a woman should surmount a body graceful and easy; and it is these waist muscles which have the power to give grace," writes Katharine Eggleston Junkermann in the Woman's Home Companion. "If they are kept free and strong by exercise, the wearing of a well-fitted corset can do them little injury, but some exercise should be taken to set the blood circulating freely, and the following is suggested:

"Raise the outstretched arms above the head, the body retaining its erect position, then bend slowly forward from the waist, so that the fingers come as near touching the floor as possible without straining. This is done without bending the knees. In recovering position, let the arms relax and sink down as the body straightens up. This exercise also lengthens the waist.

"The exercise known as waist rolling is one of the best for attaining freedom of the waist muscles. With hands lightly placed on the hips, the fingers pointing forward and down, let the body drop forward easily so that it is bent at the waist. This must be done gently, as by jerking it more harm than good is done."

BOOK-COVER DESIGNERS.

One reason for the success of women as designers of book covers is their quick appreciation of the appropriateness of design and material for the context of the book to be covered. They do not, for instance, clothe the thoughts of Marcus Aurelius in pink and gold, although certain mystics believe pink to be the soul color. Nor do they believe that "Democracy Triumphant" should wear a dress of purple flags. It is the artistic consistency they manage in the completion of a dainty volume that makes their work popular. At the Philadelphia School of Design the girls are given a subject once a week—the title of some book—for which a cover is to be made. The most successful designers of the books named—"The Queens of England," "Kings and Queens of Scotland," "The Bonnie Brier Bush" and "Poems"—were made by Miss Theodora M. Anderson, Miss Anna B. Kraus, Miss Mary S. Graid, Miss Marie A. Morton, Miss Eva Chambers, Miss Maud Mueller and miss Edna V. Free. The designs were made in the colors in which they would be reproduced, and one was drawn on the cloth which could be used, which is said to be a better way for insuring the exact repetition of a design, as the binder may not always be able to match the color in the paper model.

It is said that this industry has increased rapidly since Archibald Leighton, in 1822, introduced the cloth-binding product as now known.—New York Tribune.

POPULARITY OF THE PETTICOAT.

"The silk petticoat appears in all colors and every conceivable designs," writes Mary Katharine Howard in Woman's Home Companion, in an instructive article on "New and Dainty Lingerie." "These luxuries are made in every grade of elegance, from the cheapest taffetas to the handsomely brocades. Taffetas are the most popular silks for the purpose, being more lively than heavier silks; besides, they are lighter and less expensive. The petticoat should be well cut, well hung and closely fitted directly in the back, and should have one or two flounces at the bottom to hold the dress skirt well out and in place. The fullness should be drawn from the hips to the back by means of a ribbon run through the casing.

"While the silken petticoat is enjoying great popularity the washable white skirt has lost none of its elegance, and has a dainty simplicity, even when ornately trimmed, of which the silk skirt cannot boast. White skirts are made of cambric, fine nainsook and Victoria lawn, trimmed in innumerable ways. For service the moreen petticoat is much worn, and is obtainable in all colors. It is not heavy, keeps its dressing well, and when trimmed with silk ruffles, makes a quite dressy petticoat. For the stout woman the moreen should not be used across the abdomen and hips, but cotton sateen of the same shade substituted."

FASHION NOTES.

Violet is a popular color, a popular flower and a popular perfume. Small purple violets and white violets are much in demand for floral decorations.

Small flowers will edge the brim of the large midsummer hats, and, in fact, such a wealth of flowers will be used on all the spring and summer millinery as to preclude the necessity for much else.

Tulles and gauzes woven with filigree gold, silver or steel are used for making toques. Plain tulle and gauze will be used for trimming all sorts of spring and summer hats, and closely spangled tulle will be used more for the puffed bordering of straw toques.

Velvet makes exceedingly pretty dresses for girls. Skirts of velvet with waists of silk or thin materials are approved. A dress of pale blue velvet is made with the skirt perfectly plain, a waist of India silk shirred on a half-fitted lining and a bolero of velvet with trimmings of narrow gold braid set on flat.

One of the fancies of the season is the tailor-made costume of satin or thick white silk. Several dresses of this kind have been made for girls of 12 to 16 years. The style is absolutely severe in its simplicity. Not every girl can wear it successfully, but for those to whom it is becoming there can be no more handsome outfit.

Straws will be worn unusually early this season, as the novelties are handsome and run the gamut of styles for almost every month. Among the new ones shown are closely plaited coarse straws, in all the fashionable shades of color. Finely sewn straws, as well as panama, leghorn, manilla and other plaited straws of this type will be equally fashionable.

Plaid hosiery has had a season of well deserved popularity. It has been for the most part made in only high grades, and has therefore remained a sort of exclusive style. Some of the handsomest qualities are most artistic, and reflect great credit upon the manufacturers wh have the time and patience to turn out such attractive wares.

While wide skirts are seen, they are by no means the rule, and those with less spread are greatly preferred. A handsome one is made of plaid and plain velvet. Into the seams on either side of the front breadth are set long, slender A shaped gores of velvet. In one model loopings of cord are passed from one edge of the plaid to the other over these gores.

One of the most attractive dresses worn at one of the largest children's parties of the season was made of the finest white muslin. The skirt was nearly covered with narrow flounces, each flounce having the tiniest edging of fine Valenciennes. The infant's waist was tucked from yoke to belt, and over this was worn a little bolero of pink velvet, embroidered with white and gold.

The wheel, golf, and other out of door pleasures are having their effect upon the costumes of women of all ages. It is not uncommon to see a dozen ladies on the street in bicycle skirts; indeed, this is so common as to attract no particular attention. At first one instinctively looked for the wheel, but this is among the things of the past, and the short dress is allowable everywhere.

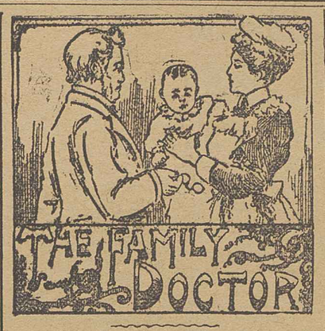
Tulle will prove a strong rival of straw during the early part of the coming season. The most novel ways of using it are not in quillings of puffs, as last year, but in layers, one over the other, until it is quite opaque, and then it is either stretched smoothly over a firm shape, or arranged in the form of a beret, with the loose edges of the tulle separate, like the leaves of a book and each one bordered with an extremely narrow satin ribbon or a row of spangles.

Instant Cure for Burns.

A Parisian doctor has discovered that a solution to one part of picric acid to seventy-five parts of water will surely and speedily cure the most terrible burns and scalds, and we recommend that barrels of the solution be kept in foundries, etc., in which workmen could be immersed. The pain is instantly removed, sores and blisters prevented and a cure completed in four or five days. The yellow tint given to the skin by the above treatment can be removed by washing with a solution of boric acid.

Microscopy.

Prof. Gates of Washington claims to have discovered what scientists have unsuccessfully sought for—a way by which the magnified image projected on a lens can be magnified, and so on indefinitely and retaining clearly and distinctly the most minute details of the original. While Prof. Gates does not divulge the details of his invention it is to be hoped his claims may practically materialize, as such discovery would be of inestimable value in bacteriology and the study of cellular tissues.



An excellent catarrh snuff can be made by mixing equal parts of powdered camphor, borax and salt.

For one afflicted by boils a good remedy is found in a one-fifth grain pill of sulphide of calcium taken every three hours. A dose of Rochelle salts should also be taken before breakfast several times a week.

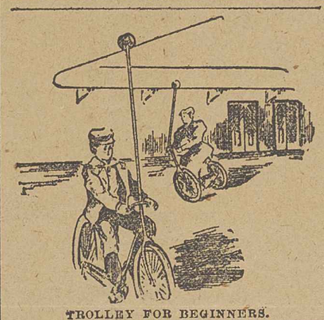
Meat three times a day is harmful to any person of sedentary habits, and even a laborer is better off with meat but twice a day, as it contains so much nitrogen that the liver and kidneys are given too much work to do. Meat in moderation with plenty of vegetables and fruits should be the rule.

Food is often made unpalatable by being too greasy. This is a common objection to meat broths. Mutton and chicken broths should always be skimmed several times before they are served. The last trace of olly substance can be removed by passing blotting paper or a bit of bread over the surface.

Children receiving nature's nourishment stop when they are satisfied. Their capacity varies greatly. A child artificially fed should, if in good health, be able to take six ounces at a feeding at the age of three months, and such a feeding should consist of 2½ ounces of milk, the balance as directed by a physician. Ordinarily the feeding is best composed as follows: Sterilized milk, 2½ ounces; boiled water, 3½ ounces; sugar of milk, ½ teaspoonful; bovinine, 20 drops. During the first week of an infant's life its stomach contains about an ounce (two tablespoonfuls) and this should be the amount given at one feeding, to be repeated every hour in the case of a very hungry infant, and every hour and a half otherwise.

Easier than the Old Way.

The inconveniences of learning to ride a bicycle are considerably mitigated by the use of an apparatus now adopted by several riding schools in



TROLLEY FOR BEGINNERS.

Germany. A miniature railway runs round the school about twelve feet from the ground, and from this are suspended several straps, each one of which is buckled to a machine, in this way keeping it upright.

To Abolish Profanity.

Furniture drawers are prevented from binding by a push or pull on one side, by means of a rod placed under each drawer, and carrying a toothed wheel at each end to revolve equally and support the grooved plates at each end of the drawer when it is moved in or out.

Newfoundland Stamps.

Newfoundland exhibits much originality in its stamp designs. It has on various issues a seal, a codfish, a Newfoundland dog's head, her majesty in a widow's cap, the prince of Wales in uniform and a whaler in full sail.

SEIZED WITH STAGE FRIGHT.

Miss Van Cortlandt's Promising Musical Career Blasted.

After years of assiduous labor in Europe under the best singing masters, and after a successful tour through England, Miss Luta Van Cortlandt, a New York girl, and a descendant of an old Dutch family, several weeks ago turned her face homeward to captivate the music-loving people of her native city with her gifted voice. When she arrived she was

MISS VAN CORTLANDT.

engaged to appear in concert at the Metropolitan Opera House. She was advertised as a great artiste, and her name appeared on the program in large letters. She was to sing an air from "The Queen of Sheba." It was as familiar to her as "Home, Sweet Home." She was led out on the platform and too near to the piano. When the accompanist began to play she knew she was too near and her self-possession left her. He whispered to her to mount the little platform on which Seidl stands. She looked and saw that that little platform was carpeted. Suddenly the words of her song went out of her head, vanished. She could think of no word but "carpeted."

The song was a nightmare. She herself knew it. She saw the faces of the audience change when her stumbling notes reached their ears. She saw looks of admiration give way to those of amazement, and then to amusement. She heard derisive laughter as she finished. She tottered and thought she was going to faint. Then someone hissed. The stinging sound nerved her and she slowly left the stage. When she reached the wings she fell swooning into the arms of a friend. She was driven home at once. A low fever set in. Her brain lived in delirium, and she lived that nightmare over and over again, a thousandfold worse in dreams than it had been in reality. She will recover, but will never sing in public again.

DAVID'S SLING.

Investigation Is Said to Show that It Was No Shoestring Affair.

Now comes some iconoclast and declares that it was no miracle by which David slew Goliath. Investigation shows that the famous sling that shot the stone was no mere shoestring affair. And the stone was no mere pebble. The Asiatic sling is two yards long, and as thick as a man's finger. David could have hanged Goliath with it had he happened to catch him, and it would have borne a giant's weight. The sling throws its missile so that it

NOT A SHOESTRING AFFAIR.

travels at the rate of about fifty miles an hour. A stone as large as a hen's egg crushing into a gentleman's head at that rate would naturally prove more or less fatal.

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A Total Disability Claim of $1,650 Paid to a Man who was Afterward Cured.

The *Monitor*, a newspaper published at Meaford, Ont., Canada, first discovered this case two years ago, and published it at length, which now seems, owing to the cure of it, to be a miracle. The facts were so remarkable that many people doubted the truth of them. They said: "It is too remarkable; it cannot possibly be true; the paper is mistaken, and the man, although he may think himself cured, will soon relapse into his former condition," etc., etc. The accuracy of its report called in question, the *Monitor* determined to find out definitely whether the facts were as stated and whether the man would really *stay* cured. They accordingly kept a close watch on the case for *two years* after the first article appeared, and have just now published another article about it in which *the original reports are completely verified, the cure is permanent, and they publish a fac simile of the check given by the Canadian Mutual Life Association for $1650.00 amount of total disability claim paid by them to Mr. Petch.*

The first account stated that the patient (see address below) had been a paralytic for five years, that there was such a total lack of feeling in his limbs and body, that a pin run full length could not be felt; that he could not walk or help himself at all; for two years he was not dressed; furthermore that he was bloated, was for that reason almost unrecognizable, and could not get his clothes on. The paralysis was so complete as to affect the face and prevented him from opening his mouth sufficiently wide to take solid food. The doctors called the disease spinal sclerosis, and all said he could not live.

For three years, he lingered in this condition. Then by some friends he was advised to take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. He took them and there was a slight change. The first thing noted was a tendency to sweat freely. This showed there was some life left in his helpless body. Next came a little feeling in his limbs. This extended, followed by prickling sensations, until at last the blood began to course freely, naturally and vigorously through his body, and the helplessness gave way to returning strength, the ability to walk returned, and *he was restored to his old time health.*

The above is the substance of the first article published by the *Monitor*. Now follow some clippings, taken from the same paper two years afterward, and there is not the slightest shadow of a doubt, in view of this testimony, that Mr. Petch's cure is permanent. Here follows the account:

On being again questioned, Mr. Petch said: "You see those hands—the skin is now natural and elastic. Once they were hard and without sensation. You could pierce them with a pin and I would not feel it, and what is true of my hands is true of the rest of my body. Perhaps you have observed that I have now even ceased to use a cane, and can get about my business perfectly well. You may say *there is absolutely no doubt as to my cure being permanent. Indeed I am in even better health than when I gave you the first interview.*"

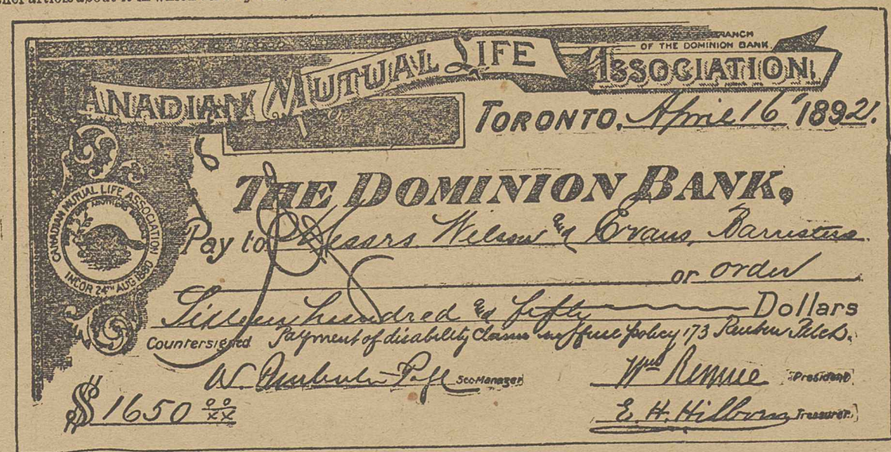
"Do you still attribute your cure to the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills?" asked the *Monitor*.

"Unquestionably I do," was the reply. "Doctors had failed, as had also the numerous remedies recommended by my friends. Nothing I took had the slightest effect upon me until I began the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. *To this wonderful medicine I owe my release from the living death.* I have since recommended these pills to many of my friends, and the verdict is always in their favor. I shall always bless the day I was induced to take them."

Such is the history of one of the most remarkable cases of modern times. Can any one say, in the face of such testimony, that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are not entitled to the careful consideration of any suffering man, woman or child? Is not the case in truth a miracle of modern medicine?

To make the evidence complete we publish above a fac simile cut of the check received by Mr. Petch from the Canadian Mutual Life Association, being the amount due him for total disability. It is unnecessary to add that this life insurance association did not pay this large amount of money to Mr. Petch, except after the most careful examination of his condition by their medical experts. They *must* have regarded him as forever incurable.

Mr. Petch's address is as follows, Reuben Petch, Griersville, Ont., Canada.



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After the old proprietors of the article now called "Black Draught" were by the United States Court enjoined from using the words constituting our trade name—does not equity require that they stand on their own trade name and merits (if any) of their article, and not seek to appropriate the trade for our article called for and known as Dr. Simmons Liver Medicine, by publishing the picture of another Dr. Simmons on their wrapper and falsely advertising that their article "Black Draught" was established in 1840, that being the year in which our article was established, while no one ever heard of "Black Draught" till after 1876. Why do they advertise that falsehood and associate their article with ours (having the picture of Dr. M. A. Simmons on it) by their publication of the picture of another Dr. Simmons, if not done to unfairly appropriate our trade? Is not the motive apparent?

Prof. T. E. Riley

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THE NEWS IN OUR OWN STATE.

INDUSTRIAL AND SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY MEETS.

IMPORTANT EMIGRATION COMPANY ORGANIZED.

War Vessels Using Alabama Coal—To Manufacture Fine Cotton Goods—Deputies Raiding Illicit Stills—Pennsylvanians to Establish Colonies in This State—Other Interesting News Items.

WORKERS FOR ALABAMA.

Industrial and Scientific Society Meets at Birmingham.

At the annual meeting of the Alabama Industrial and Scientific Society, which met in Birmingham the past week, officers were elected as follows:

President—M. C. Wilson, of Florence.

Vice-Presidents—J. G. Mann, of Blocton; Chas. J. Geoghegan, of Birmingham; Jos. L. Squires, of Helena; Jas. H. Fitts, of Tuscaloosa, Jas. L. Montgomery, of Birmingham.

Treasurer—Henry M. McCalley, of Tuscaloosa.

Secretary—Eugene L. Smith, of Tuscaloosa.

Prof. McCalley, assistant state geologist, displayed geological maps just made of the Warrior coal fields, showing all the coal seams.

Dr. W. B. Phillips gave an exhaustive account of the operations now going on near Leeds by the Sloss Iron & Steel company to develop brown iron beds.

The secretary's report showed 42 members present out of 76.

Using Alabama Coal.

Alabama coal has made a stand in a direction that bids fair to yield great results. The steamer Detroit, which was in Mobile harbor during Mardi Gras, was coaled with Alabama coal, and it is ascertained that during the past few months a number of government vessels have been coaled with Alabama coal at Pensacola, Mobile and other points.

The point that has been established is this: The government has recognized from the tests of Alabama coal that were made several years ago, that the Pratt coal, for instance, is fully up to the standard demanded by the navy. This is a fact that the government has finally accepted, and the result is that, when other things are favorable, Alabama stands a fair chance to coal the government vessels when they are in southern waters.

To Manufacture Fine Goods.

The Tallassee Falls Manufacturing Company at Tallassee, have finished the foundation for thair first new 50,000-spindle mill, for the manufacture of fine goods. The building will be of granite, and the machinery run by water power.

The present Tallassee mills are working most favorably, with orders ahead for months to come, consuming about thirty-five bales a day, averaging 1,000 bales a month. When the new mill is completed the consumption will reach not less than 25,000 bales per annum. The mills in the Montgomery territory, consisting of Prattville, Tallassee, the People's and the Montgomery, including the Alabama Cordage Company, are now consuming about eighty-five bales of cotton daily.

Stills Raided.

Deputy Internal Revenue Collector W. C. Hanlin is out on another trip among the moonshiners. Friday morning he reported two raids. He destroyed twelve fermenters and twenty gallons of whisky near Brookwood, in Tuskaloosa county, and 200 gallons of beer and twenty gallons of whisky at another illicit plant in the same vicinity. The stills had been removed. Other raids have been reported as follows: Near Pevy, Randolph county, one forty-gallon copper still and a quantity of supplies. Near Forest Chapel, same county, one fifty-gallon still and supplies. Four miles south of Fruithurst, Cleburne county, one sixty gallon still and 900 gallons of beer.

Industrial School Suspends.

The Girls' Industrial School at Montevallo has been suspended till March 27th. This action was taken by President Reynolds after a consultation with the governor and faculty of the school, as the result of the smallpox scare of a few days ago.

Waylaid and Murdered.

Jeff D. Burgen, a wealthy young merchant of Pickensville, was waylaid and murdered Friday night. The weapon used was a shotgun, and the entire contents of one barrel was emptied into Mr. Burgen's breast. His assassin was so close upon him when he fired the shot that the clothes and the face of the deceased wery very badly powder-burned. Mr. Burgen was on his way from his home in Pickensville to the residence of Mr. Ezell to make a friendly call, when he was shot, and members of Mr. Ezell's household saw the assassin when he ran away, but did not recognize him.

Free Rural Delivery.

Gen. Roy Stone, chief of road inquiry, division of agriculture, at Washington, proposes to establish several routes for rural free delivery of mails in Madison county if the people in the county will take the proper interest in the matter and secure the appropriation.

Alabama Postmasters.

Postmasters were appointed Saturday for Alabama as follows: John C. Donaldson, Bright, Cullman county; A. T. Vaughan, Wheeler, Lawrence county.

COOSA VALLEY COLONY CO.

Important Emigration Company Organized at Piedmont.

A new emigration company has been organized to develop and put on sale the rich lands of North Alabama. Gen. Shelley, of Birmingham, is at the head of the company.

The headquarters are in Piedmont. Although the Piedmont lands are the only ones which will be advertised at the present time, the company intends to develop the rich lands which are to be found in so many parts of North Alabama. Steps have already been taken to establish agencies throughout the north and west and the Alabama lands will be thoroughly advertised.

The company claims to have an entirely new plan for the payment of money due on the tracts sold, and one that is different from any of the other colony companies. Land warrants are issued, valued at $50 each, which are payable at a rate of a dollar a month, the whole being paid in a trifle over four years. Of course, any number of warrants will be sold to one person. Purchasers of these warrants can select land equal to the face value of these warrants at any time after making the first payment and take immediate possession of land so selected.

Recinds Its Action.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the democratic party of Jefferson county, held in Birmingham Saturday, the following resolutions were adopted:

"Resolved, That the plan for holding the democratic primary and convention in this county, as recommended by the sub-committee appointed for that purpose at the meeting of this committee two weeks ago, be amended so as to have the six representatives of this county nominated by the county convention instead of the county primary.

"Resolved, That so much of the action of this committee which referred to the election by primary of representatives in the legislature at its meeting held two weeks ago, is hereby rescinded."

Colonies to be Established.

Mr. N. F. Thompson, secretary of the Johnstown, Pa., Board of Trade, who has been in Alabama for some time, returned to Pennsylvania Friday. Mr. Thompson states that the probabilities are that two colonies of Pennsylvania people will be established in Alabama before long. One of the proposed colonies will be situated in North Alabama and the other in South Alabama.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

Capt. Sam Clay, a one-armed Confederate veteran, died at Athens.

At Monroeville, Jeff Salter was shot and killed by officers who were trying to arrest him on a charge of counterfeiting.

Mrs. Collins, a prominent lady of Albertville, aged 90 years, was burned to death. Her clothing ignited from an open grate.

Col. A. K. McClure, the distinguished editor of the Philadelphia Times, will be the guest of the Commercial Club, of Birmingham, March 20th.

Tom Collins and Hugh Frazier have been indicted for murder in the first degree by the grand jury of Jefferson county, for the killing of J. L. Howell, at Bessemer, last December.

Mrs. Richard Eubank, living near Mountainboro, was eating supper and chatting pleasantly with her family last week, when she suddenly complained of a pain and fell over dead.

The grand jury of Lowndes county, after being in session for ten days, reported thirty-nine true bills. They recommended the repeal of the prohibition law, declaring it an utter failure and loss to the county.

The clothes of Frank, the three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Harper, of South Decatur, ignited from an open fireplace. The child was horribly burned and may not recover. The mother was severely burned in attempting to rescue the child.

W. C. Harris, Jr., one of the lessees of the O'Brien opera house in Birmingham, has shaken the dust of that city from his feet and his present whereabouts are unknown. Harris' departure is said to have taken place rather suddenly, due to circumstances that cannot be recorded in public print.

Death the Price of a Fortune.

It is said by the steamer from Alaska that several days ago two Canadian police marched into Skaguay with two sleds in tow, over which were strapped two dead men. They were frozen to death on the trail. They were returning Klondikers, and are reported to have had in their possession $160,000 in paper and gold dust.

Ex-President Cleveland has written a letter to the gold democratic party in Pennsylvania warning them to bestir themselves or free silver will control the next congress.

ADMIRES AMERICAN WARSHIPS.

Every Spanish Town on the Coast Coul be Blown to Atoms, Says an Expert.

"The United States will have every town on the Spanish coast blown to atoms, I am ready to wager, a month after the beginning of hostilities," said William Allan, member of the English parliament, to the New York World correspondent.

Mr. Allan represents the Gateshead division in the house of commons, and is one of the largest ship builders on the Tyne and is an acknowledged authority on naval questions.

The World correspondent asked him if there is any likelihood that Spain can buy war vessels now building in British yards from the governments which ordered them.

"It would not do Spain any good if she could buy them," Mr. Allan answered. "But except those ordered by Japan there are very few orders in the English yards from foreign governments, and Japan won't sell.

"I have always expressed in the house of commons, as you know, my admiration for American warships. I challenged our government to test the new craiser Powerful by sending her across the Atlantic at full speed, as the United States government had sent the Columbia, but our government declined.

"I consider that America has some of the very finest ships afloat and I know the American sailors to be as good as any in the world.

"Why, Spain is a retrogade—a moribund nation. If she should snap up all the warships available all over the world she could not give the United States cause for an instant's concern.

"I believe in the grit, tenacity and fighting capacity of the Anglo-Saxon races as against those Spaniards, who are fed on oil and garlic and are without stamina. Why, in the olden days our Buccaneers used to outclass them, and they have not improved since then, rather the contrary.

"But there will be no war. The Spanish government knows it would be the signal for a Carlist rising.

"They will have some kind of a revolution in Spain before long, but as to war with the United States, there will be none.

"I have never believed the United States wants Cuba, and I expect they will employ all their influence to establish a republic."

A CONFLICT IS POSSIBLE

Says a Member of the Cabinet and Preparations Continue.

A special to the Constitution from Washington says:

"The administration recognizes that war is possible and is rapidly preparing to meet every emergency."

That declaration was made Friday by a member of the cabinet. It was for publication with the understanding that it was to be used as an official statement, but that the name of the cabinet officer making it was not to be given.

While this is simply a statement o what everybody has understood to be the situation for some time, it is the first time that any such declaration has been made by a cabinet official or anybody speaking for the administration. In this respect, therefore, it is most significant. It indicates that things are coming to a head. Taking everything into consideration, it looks as if war is closer at hand than it has been at any time since Appomattox.

In direct line with this declaration is a statement given by one of the most prominent members of the senate.

"War will come. It may not be this week, it may not be next; but it is just as certain to come as anything in the future can be certain. The only thing that can prevent such a result is for the Spanish character to undergo a sudden change, and that is, of course, beyond the realm of possibility."

Dry Kiln Falls With Fatal Results.

A large steam dry kiln at the Central Coal and Coke saw mill, at Texarkana, Ark., tumbled in last week seriously wounding a number of workmen, two of whom will die. Others are believed to have been killed outright. The east wall of the kiln tumbled in and crushed the contents, making a complete wreck. Those removed from the wreck are: Gus Walton, will die; Richard Hunting, will die; Bill Smith, seriously injured; J. D. Howard, Will Shade, J. W. Rabb, J. B. Williams, John Henderson and L. Reeves.

Insurgents Very Active.

Reports of insurgent activity continue to come into Havana and greatly exasperate the public, although every attempt is made to suppress the facts. Rebels are especially active in the provinces of Santiago de Cuba, Puerto Principe and Santa Clara. Jiminez Castellanos, in recent battles in Vueltas, Cuarto, Caminos, Najossa, Managuaco and Peralejo, could no more hold his own, and eventually was compelled to retreat to Puerto Principe and Santa Clara, losing several officers and ninety-seven privates, and having two lieutenants and 220 privates wounded.

Lee Establishes Orphans' Asylum.

Consul General Lee has formally notified the department that as one result of his efforts to ameliorate the condition of the poor in Havana he has secured from the Spanish authorities the use of a large store house in Havana which he will use as an orphan asylum to shelter the many little children left parentless by the war.

Underwriter Lost.

A special from Norfolk, Va., reports the loss of the powerful tug Underwriter of Boston in a storm off Hatteras.

TRADE IS NOT DISTURBED

By the Wild War Stories Afloat, Says Dun.

GRAIN AND COTTON MARKET STRONG.

An Immense Pig Iron Output—All Signs Point to an Unprecedently Large Volume of Trade—Business Failures.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

Stories of the most reckless sort, disproved promptly, and many of them before they are told, affected speculation in stocks much last week, but they have not disturbed the industries and the trade of the country at all. There is a confidence that the authorities are doing what is proper to provide for public defense, and business is moving on with the assurance that it will not be disturbed. In grain, cotton, meat products and iron, markets have been strong, with gradual increases in the demand for manufactured products.

Failures in February have been smaller than for any other month of the previous fifty-two months, with remarkable decrease in the failures for $100,000 and over, though in number and amount the smaller failures show less change than might have been expected, indicating that in good times or bad a large proportion is due to causes apart from the general condition of business. The ratio of defaulted liabilities to payments through clearing houses is but $1.71 per $1,000, a lower rate than has appeared in the first quarter of any year except 1880 and 1881, of the past twenty years.

The best evidence of general improvement is the fact that payments through clearing houses for the past week have been 28 per cent. larger than in 1892 and outside New York, speculative interests, 17.6 per cent. larger. Compared with the last year the gain has been 56.2 per cent. for the week.

Production of pig iron is the greatest ever known.

Foundry at the East is slightly lower, basic pig having been offered in a sharp competition of about $10, although Southern makers in Alabama and Tennessee, excepting two, have agreed upon a plan of sales through a commission. The demand for finished products covers weeks ahead in plates, structural forms, sheets, pipe and rails.

The strike in cotton mills does not spread, but helps to a slightly better demand for some goods, while in woolens the business is slow in some of the finer qualities which have been much advanced in price and in these and in other grades as well cancellations have often exceeded re-orders, indicating less distributiou than was expected at the advanced prices. Wool has yielded a little.

Wheat has grown stronger, exports continuing at a rate which threatens exhaustion of supply, if trade reports of farmers' stocks are correct. From Atlantic ports 2,426,240 bushels went out, flour included, against 1,368,416 last year and from Pacific ports, 864,993 against 479,959 bushels last year. The price has risen 1 cent, but it is possible that the estimates of last year's stocks, though 50,000,000 bushels in excess of the government estimates, may prove too small. Corn has declined only one-quarter of a cent, with exports of 4,748,843 bushels. Failures for the week have been 251 in the United States against 246 last year and 32 in Canada against 59 last year.

GOMEZ EXCITED

And Expects War Soon Between Spain and the United States.

A messenger left Gomez' camp last week and is now proceeding to Washington, carrying full data and details of insurgent field organization. In case hostilities break out General Gomez expects to co-operate with the American fleet, and for this reason desires that American officers shall have full knowledge of the rebel forces and equipment. It is understood that Gomez will offer to relinquish his command to any American general who may be sent from Washington.

Spain Preparing for War.

All indications in London are that Spain is pushing every preparation for war with the United States. It is, of course, impossible to verify the rumors in connection with Spain's transactions here, but information on the very best authority is that her agents have concluded negotiations for a loan, said to be $40,000,000.

The import of this is that if Spain has obtained this money she will at once purchase seven war vessels for which she has been negotiating since the relations between Spain and the United States became so greatly strained.

Nine People Drowned.

The schooner Speedwell, Captain Collier, from Marco, Fla., for Key West, was struck by a squall while off Marquesas, eighteen miles from Key West, and capsized. Nine persons were drowned out of thirteen on board. Among the victims were the three children of Captain Collier—George, Tom and Wilbur, aged respectively 4, 6 and 8, and the entire Nichols family—Bradley Nichols and his wife, their son and the latter's wife, and two grand children. The family was from Bridgeport, Conn.

LONG LIKE STONEWALL JACKSON.

The Feeling in Washington is Growing More Warlike Daily.

It is finally believed at Washington that both Spain and this country are getting on a war footing, not simply to be prepared for war, but in anticipation of actual war. Naval officers credit the published reports that Spain is buying warships, and predict that sooner or later we will have to go into the open markets for some as well. A naval officer says that the navy department expects a conflict. Possibly not at once, but before congress adjourns.

He said: "Our details are all made out. As soon as hostilities begin we who are stationed here, as well as all who are now on shore, will be ordered to sea. But details as to different vessels are all made up ready to be issued at a moment's notice.

"It will be found," he said, "that Long is like Stonewall Jackson. He is a praying Christian; he will pray hard and shoot hard.

"Every preparation is being made at Long's orders. He is a complex character, just as Stonewall Jackson was. It is the straws now which show the way the wind is veering."

MARTIAL LAW PROCLAIMED.

United States Troops at Skaguay Enforcing the Laws.

Passengers on the steamer Islander, which has just reached Victoria, B. C., from Skaguay, confirm the report that the Canadian flag has been raised at Summit Lake; also that the Canadians will establish a custom house at Crater Lake.

Martial law has been declared at Skaguay, and the United States troops who went up on the Queen are enforcing the law.

The death rate at Skaguay averages fifteen daily, one of the latest victims being the postmaster.

It is also stated by passengers on the steamer Islander that the Dyea trail is strewn with dead mules.

MUST WRITE APPLICATION

For Registration or Have Property Valued at $300 to Vote.

The suffrage committee made its report to the Louisiana constitutional convention Friday. The educational and property qualifications are the main features.

Applicants for registration must be able to read and write, and must make written application in English or his mother tongue in the presence of the registration officer. If not able to read and write, he shall be entitled to vote if he, his wife, children or parents, own property assessed at not less than $300. No person who was entitled to vote in the state on January 1, 1868, nor the legitimate descendants of such person attaining majority before the adoption of this constitution, nor any foreigner naturalized prior to the constitution's adoption, shall be debarred from voting.

BIG CARGO OF SUPPLIES

Will Be Carried to the Cubans by the Steamer Bergen.

The steamer Bergen of the Manson line, which sailed from New York Saturday, will carry the following relief supplies to be distributed among the suffering Cubans through Consul Brice, at Matanzas, and Barker, at Sagua LaGrande:

One hundred and sixty-two cases of milk, 200 bags of rice, 125 bags of beans, 14,000 pounds of codfish, 12,000 pounds of bacon, 400 bags of corn meal, 25 tierces of lard and 600 ounces of quinine. All has been purchased by the Cuban Relief Society on donations received from charitable societies and people of philanthropic dispositions.

The same steamer will also carry a miscellaneous stock of goods in the shape of food and clothing, the donations of outside committees, aggregating about 100,000 tons in all.

To Retire From Politics.

Governor Robert L. Taylor, of Tennessee, has given out a signed statement to the public, in which he says he will retire from politics forever, when his present term in the governor's office expires.

Called to the Rescue of Their Country.

A manifesto signed "A Spaniard," has been circulated in Mexico City calling upon Spaniards to come to the rescue of their country.

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS.

A revolution is threatened in Salvador.

Frank James, the famous ex-bandit, is in a dying condition at his home in St. Louis.

John Laird, who built the famous blockade runner, "Alabama," recently died in England.

Over $5,000,000 in gold were shipped from Paris and London to New York bankers Saturday.

President Dole, of the Hawaiian republic, has given $500 for the relief of the victims of the Maine disaster.

Robert T. Ford, of New York, has bought Escondida, the Clay homestead in Bourbon county, Ky., of 775 acres, for $85,000.

William Richards, an aged man who lived alone, a few miles east of Bristol, Tenn., was cremated in a fire which destroyed his home.

The state department has been informed that a small revolution has broken out at Palencia, about 200 miles from Caracas, capital of Venezuela. The Venezuelan minister says there is no need for action by the navy department.

CURRENCY SUPPLY.

MISREPRESENTED BY THE TREASURY STATEMENTS.

The Manner in Which Secretary Gage's Department Swells the Per Capita Circulation on Paper—An Analysis of the Misleading Statements.

The usual statement "showing" the amount of gold and silver coins and other currency "in circulation" on the first of January, 1898, is interesting for what it conceals. While it might be improper to accuse its authors of active and abstract mendacity, a very little analysis of the figures will serve to demonstrate that they are calculated, and doubtless intended, to mislead the public as to the real condition and distribution of the nation's circulating medium.

There is nothing particularly new about this. For some years the statistical end of the treasury has juggled with monetary facts and figures, in a vain effort to make black appear white. We are used to that, and the only pity is that so much public time and money should be spent in the preparation of statements which no longer command credence. Following is a comparative table, showing the amount of money of each kind "in circulation" January 1, 1898, and January 1, 1897:

	1898.	1897.
Gold coin	$547,568,360	$517,748,229
Silver dollars	61,491,073	58,581,319
Subsidiary silver	65,720,308	62,101,986
Gold certificates	36,557,689	37,887,439
Silver certificates	376,695,592	356,655,800
Treasury notes	103,443,936	84,171,221
United States notes	282,480,927	261,367,758
Currency certificates	43,315,000	50,330,000
National bank notes	223,827,755	221,384,148
Total	1,721,100,640	1,650,223,400

The treasury calmly states the per capita of circulation among the American people Jan. 1, 1898, as $23.34, as compared with $22.87 on January 1, 1897. To make this appear, all the reserves of national banks and all reserve funds held by other banks, trust companies and so on, are treated as being in active circulation; a proposition which would appear ridiculous to any schoolboy not advanced beyond his primer of arithmetic. It is an estimate accepted by most experts, that, in one way or another, nearly or quite one-half of the nominal volume of our currency is permanently locked up in the form of bank reserves.

The manner in which the treasury statement treats the gold coinage of the nation is a clear illustration of the disingenuousness of our financial authorities. The amount of gold coin "in circulation" is made up by taking the general stock of gold coined or issued, which is placed at $699,478,536; deducting from that sum the amount of gold in the treasury, $150,910,176, and crediting the remainder to "gold in circulation." Such calculations are worse than valueless. Economists of all shades of doctrine are agreed that not less than 60 per cent of the country's gold coinage has annually been absorbed in the arts, and that a much larger proportion has gone into them during the periods of small production. Applying that rule to the figures, we should have a general stock of gold amounting in round numbers to $420,000,000, and after deducting the treasury gold from that, about $268,000,000 in circulation instead of $547,568,360, as Mr. Gage would like to have us believe. But, even taking the reduced figure of $268,000,000, how much of that gold does any one suppose is in free circulation among the farmers, merchants and laborers of the country? Practically every dollar of it is hived in the vaults of banks and trust companies.

Taking all these considerations together, while it is beyond the power of any statistician to exactly fix the real volume of money, or the per capita, in actual free circulation among the people, it does not require statistical ability to detect the utter fallacy of the treasury figures on those points. There is not a shadow of probability that the actual sum per capita is more than half of the amount claimed, while we are inclined to believe that the government would find great difficulty in showing upon any satisfactory grounds that it exceeds seven, or at the outside, eight dollars a head.

When such administrative efforts to obscure the truth regarding the currency situation are not only possible, but accepted and laughed at as quite natural, and in the line of "good politics," we are strengthened in our opinion that it would be party and national treason for the Democrats in congress to permit the passage of a partisan census bill. Let us have some statistical work, by way of change, not intended to deceive, but designed and organized to get at the rock bottom truth.

Poor Old London Times.

The London Times, representing the greatest money-lending constituency on earth, says:

"It cannot be that the forces that defeated Bryan in 1896 are totally shattered and annulled by a series of tactical efforts, but an immense advantage has undoubtedly been given to the anarchial and predatory tendencies which have recently become so formidable in American society by the disorganization of the Republican party, and the incapacity of sound money men to retain any controlling authority among the Democrats. Clearly there will be a desperate fight a few months hence, to be renewed at the presidential contest of 1900, over the same issues which were supposed to be settled by the election of Mr. McKinley."

CURRENT NOTES.

As mortgages are an evidence of prosperity and the mortgage indebtedness of Ohio increased $20,000,000 last year, the calamity howler must surely subside.

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Those labor and reform organizations that believe in the rule of the people through the ballot, instead of spasmodic and unsuccessful strikes, should elect delegates to the national labor convention at St. Louis, May 2, 1898.

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The enormously wealthy and gold-buggy Chemical National bank of New York was despoiled of nearly $400,000 a few weeks ago by loans made by the cashier on worthless security, and a sympathizing silverite has sent the president the following letter of condolence, or congratulation: "George G. Williams, President Chemical National Bank: Sir—I hasten to congratulate you on your recent misfortune, which, thanks to the machinations of the crazy 'Bryanites' is not as serious as it would appear, for your late cashier, no doubt, paid his brother 'financier' the $393,000 in silver certificates, and so I figure it out that your bank has really lost ONLY $172,920, assuming the certificates, or the silver they represent, to be worth only 44c on the dollar. While the 'ways of the wicked are past finding out'—until it is too late, very often, to intercept them, there is this consolation that even the shrewdest 'capitalists' sometimes over-reach themselves.

"'T'was ever thus since childhood's hour
Some accident befell, etc., etc.'

"Just think of it! Suppose the single standard advocates had succeeded in forcing the gold standard on the country, you would have actually given this particular silverite and his Grable-ing associate $220,080 more than you did. 'Virtue is its own reward,' even in Wall street, or that neighborhood, and your poor little bank is thus saved nearly two-thirds of its reported loss."

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"New conditions of business" have forced Andrews Bros. of Syracuse, N. Y., to cut the wages of all employes from 10 to 20 per cent; and the same "new conditions of business" force the workers to take the reduction without a word. In the course of time the people will have had enough of these new conditions.

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Some thirty years ago, when he was contending against greenbackism, Baron Rothschild spoke as follows of silver: "The simultaneous employment of the two precious metals is satisfactory and gives rise to no complaint. Whether gold or silver dominates for the time being, it is always true that the two metals concur together in forming the monetary circulation of the world, and it is the general mass of the two metals combined which serves as the measure of the value of things. The suppression of silver would amount to a veritable destruction of values without any compensation."

Since then plutocracy has taken several advance steps, and now Baron Rothschild finds that gold alone is the best measure of the value of things, as, the measure being smaller, he is able to thus get more of the things.

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A New York capitalist sheet has done a rash thing. It invited the people to write their opinions of society, with this result: Such multitudes of letters, critical and condemnatory, and nearly all condemnatory, flowed upon the editor, who is himself a "swell," that he was scared with the threatening host of angry people he had roused into expression. So he sat down on them all, saying that whatever society might be, it could write.

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The most striking fact in the secretary of war's report is that he asks for an appropriation of $92,258,445.80 for the next fiscal year. This is over $43,000,000 in excess of last year's estimates, over one-half more than the $62,832,417.25 voted for the current year, and nearly double the $49,350,136.72 actually expended last year.

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An exchange suggests that in the fact that Mr. Leiter controls the bread and Mr. Armour dominates the meat, lies a concentrated hint to somebody to get a corner on the mustard.

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J. A. Wayland says: "If those who write me are right observers there is a regular stampede in all the labor centers of the workers from the Republican party."

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Whenever the doctors and lawyers get their fees down in line with 4 cent cotton, they are going to fall in line with the boys from the creek.—Meridian (Texas) Sun.

They would better get in line against conditions that force cotton prices to 4 cents, or their fees will have to fall.

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One of the Ohio legislators who opposed Hanna was flooded with protests from his home county, which was composed largely of coal miners. Noticing that all the protests were typewritten, he said: "The people I represent have no typewriters and are thankful if they have a pencil—they belong to the hobnail gang."

The Trustworthy Classes.

When the influential classes turned their backs on me the common people stood by me. You will not be surprised that I have come to lean upon the common people as the real foundation upon which good government must rest.—Governor Pingree.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR PROBATE JUDGE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Probate Judge of Shelby County, subject to the action of the primary election to be held on the 19th of March, 1898.

A. P. LONGSHORE.

FOR CIRCUIT CLERK.

The friends of John P. Pearson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on 19th of March, 1898.

The friends of R. T. Johnson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on the 19th of March, 1898.

We are authorized to announce John H. Leonard as a candidate for Clerk of the Circuit Court of Shelby county, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to held March 19th.

FOR COMMISSIONER.

The friends of W. N. Gilbert announce him as a candidate for commissioner from the Second District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to be held March 19th, 1898.

EDITOR ADVOCATE—Please announce Mr. D. C. Davis as a candidate for re-election to the office of Commissioner, from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the Populist and Republican parties, and oblige.

MANY FRIENDS.

The friends of John T. Glaze announce him as a candidate for Commissioner from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, on the 19th of March, 1898.

Mr. Editor.—Please announce W. C. Powers as a candidate for Commissioner from the second district, subject to the action of the Populist and Republican parties.

MANY FRIENDS.

Committee Called.

The Executive Committee of the People's Party for Shelby county is hereby called to meet in the Court House at Columbiana on Wednesday, March 16th, at 12 m., to consider matters of vital importance to the party. It is earnestly requested that every member of the committee attend this meeting.

JOHN W. PITTS,
Chairman.

Wonder what Mr. Vandiver thinks now? It was a little bigger job than you bargained for, want it Col.? Watch Hardy. Make him divide fair.

The expose of the Hardy-Vandiver conspiracy to sell out the Republican party in Shelby to the democrats, by the Advocate a few weeks ago, had the effect to put Republicans on their guard, and the result was that the conspirators were snowed under last Monday.

Hon. Wm. Jennings Bryan has made several speeches in the state since our last issue, and had large crowds to meet him at each appointment. The goldbugs don't enjoy his visit to Alabama a bit, but the the silverites have flocked to his appointments in large numbers, and all have been delighted. The cause of silver has been greatly benefitted by his visit to our state.

The latest information as we go to press, Wednesday evening, is that the Board of Inquiry is not yet ready to report, and probably will not be for several days. The war scare is passing away and the situation is more favorable. The government, however, is going ahead preparing for any immergency. Congress, by a unanimous vote, passed a bill appropriating $50,000,000 to be expended by the President at his discretion for na-

The Only Remedy for Trusts

In The Arena for March, Senator Marion Butler, of North Carolina, has a very striking article on "Trusts: Their Causes and the Remedy." It is a striking article because it is armed with the strength of truth.

Senator Butler shows that trusts can grow and prosper only when it is possible for a few capitallists to control the instruments of commerce. These instruments of commerce are three in number—money, which is the life-blood of commerce; transportation and the transmission of intelligence.

The situation just at present resolves itself into this: Seven men control every line of railway in the country, and fewer than seven control every mile of telegraph wire. We do not need to follow Senator Butler through the ramifications of his article, which we commend to the careful attention of those who are interested in the future of the country.

The real instrument of commerce, the one that controls all the rest is money, and the only real money we have in this country at this time, under the rulings of the treasury department, is gold. Those who are working in the interests of the trusts have declared over and over again that the silver dollar is only made an honest dollar by the knowledge that it is redeemable in gold. Over and over again we have been told that the word "coin" in the law means gold, and it is actually interpreted to mean gold. Therefore, those who can control the available supply of gold in this country are able to control all the other instruments of commerce. This control is in the hands of a dozen men in New York city.

The real breeder of trusts and monopolies is the gold standard. All other forms of money have been outlawed, and the supply of gold, insignificant in comparison with the demands of the people, is so small that money is now more valuable than any commodity or any other species of property. He only is rich who possesses gold or its representative. He only is powerful who has been able to hoard his money. The value of money has made it scarce. Business of all kinds has been compelled to adapt itself to the diminished supply.

How many trusts and monopolies were in existence in this country prior to 1873? There were not half a dozen, and the formation of these (if there were any) can be traced directly to the destruction of the greenbacks that began shortly after the war and continued until congress put an end to it. The panic of 1873, following hard on the demonetization of silver was another manifestation of the transference of wealth from the hands of the many to the pockets of a few. The wreck of business and the scarcity of money gave these few their opportunity, and the formation of trusts and monopolies went gayly on. The monopolists carefully laid their plots in those years and mapped out their plans.

Then the people interfered somewhat, and their clamors brought about the passage of the Bland-Allison act. Under that law money became more plentiful, business and industry felt its stimulating influence, and in spite of the resumption of specie payments, prices rose 12 per cent by 1884. But the supply of money from this source was not large enough to meet the demands of business, and expansion went on so slowly that the trusts continued to grow.

In 1890 a free coinage measure was headed off by the Sherman law. This act created a further expansion, and by 1892, the people had begun to feel some of the symptoms of real prosperity. Then came Cleveland, who violated the law in the interests of the money power by surrendering the option of the government to redeem its obligations in either gold or silver. This was followed by the closing of the Indian mints, and the increased value of gold, events that gave the money power another opportunity to pluck the people. The beginning of the plucking is politely called the "panic of 1893," but the plucking has continued from that day in June, 1893, to this day in March, 1898, and the only reason that it is not called a panic now is because the plucking is going on more soberly.

The trusts are now assuming national proportions, and there is no remedy for them except the expansion of the money supply. When men in business cannot make money on old lines, they are compelled to combine in self-defense. Some of the trusts that have been formed during the past five years are composed of men who are entirely innocent of any intention to take advantage of the public. They are driven into combinations by their business necessities. The gold standard strikes at individual effort in a hundred different directions. It not only makes money more valuable and therefore harder to secure, but by lowering prices, it materially reduces psofits. Men with small capital have no chance to employ it profitably. The only way out of their difficulties that present itself is by means of combination. Those engaged in the same kind of business combine their resources. This enables them to reduce the cost of production. So far all is well; but they soon find that they can control prices, and this is an evil. Another evil of combination is that it throws producers out of employment.

Now, there is but one remedy for trusts, monopolies and combinations, and that is the increase of the money supply. This can be most readily done by opening the mints to silver, and when it is done, the trusts will gradually disappear before natural and inevitable competition. It is idle to talk about laws against trusts so long as we have the gold standard.—Atlanta Constitution.

The Editor's Woe.

An editor died and wended his way to where he supposed a warm welcome awaited him. The devil met him at the thresh-hold and said: "For many years thou hast borne blame for many errors that the printers made in the paper. Your paper has gone alas, for the $1.00 that often failed to come in. Men have taken the paper, never paying for it and cursed thee for not getting out a better one.

"Thou has been called a dead beat by the passenger conductor when thou hast showed thy annual pass to envious gaze. All these has borne in silence, thou canst not come in here," and then fired him away "Heaven is his home," muttered the devil, "and besides if we 'et him come in here he would be continually stirring up a racket by dunning his delinquent subscribers, for hell is full of 'em."—Ex.

By counting Jim Tinney, of Birmingham, Mr. Hardy managed to scrape up 12 men to join him in his efforts to break up the republican party in Shelby, last Monday. Of the 12 men who joined Hardy in his bolt only one—T. R. Lovett—voted the republican ticket two years ago. Mr. Hardy has spent a good deal of money and wasted much valuable time in his efforts to down Mr. Aldrich in Shelby, and it speaks well for the republicans that after six weeks hard work only one man fell by the wayside. Hardy is an indomitable worker and his failure cannot be attributed to a want of energy or good management.

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Republican Convention.

The Republican county convention met at Calera last Monday and nominated Rev. W. H. Sturdivant for the legislature, Mr. Hutchings for circuit clerk and Eugene Williams for superintendant of education, elected delegates to the State and Congressional conventions and adjourned. After the convention had adjourned J. D. Hardy with J. L. Vandiver, S. H. Collins, G. A. Brazier, Dink Pope, T. R. Lovett, J. H. Page, John Cromwell, J. L. Tinney, W. T. Johnson, J. M. Brown, Mr. Bridges and a negro named Dooley, met in the Hall and proceeded to hold a little convention of their own. They nominated the following ticket:

Representative—W. T. Johnson.
Judge of Probate—J. D. Hardy.
Circuit Clerk—J. W. M. Page.
Supt. of Education—S. S. Crumpton.
Commissioners—Sam Collins and G. C. Bain.

Some of the men nominated are good men, and of course they will have nothing to do with this democratic side show. Of the ticket put out by these bolters, Hardy and Collins will accept the nomination. The ticket may possibly get 25 votes in the county.

Board of Health,

At a meeting of the board of health of Shelby county held Monday last, the following rules and regulations were adopted:

Be it resolved, by the board of health of Shelby county, that the following rules and regulations be adopted for management of all contagious and infectious diseases, occurring in this county.

1st, That physicians should be required to report within twenty-four hours, after diagnosis is made, all contagious or infectious diseases occuring in their practice: and if there is no physician in attendance, then it shall devolve on the head of the family in which the contagious disease occurred to report to the county health officer, or one of his assistants.

Rule 2nd, That county health officer, or any of his assistants, receiving such report, shall proceed:

1st, To remove the infected person to a place where proper care can be given, and where the public shall be free from danger. But if the person infected is in such a condition as would make removal dangerous, the county health officer or his assistants, shall proceed to remove all well persons from the vicinity of the infected person, and if is a case of varioloid or smallpox, all persons who have been in the vicinity shall be vaccinated without delay, and any health officer or assistants where vaccination is refused, is authorized to employ help, and compel submission,

3rd, That as soon as practicable after the removal or recovery of the person afflicted by the contagious disease, the county health officer or one of his assistants shall see that the house occupied by the infected person is properly fumigated or disinfected, and that all articles of clothing and bed clothing are boiled for at least five minutes, and those articles of clothing or bed clothing that cannot be boiled be burned.

4th, That every physician or head of a family shall see that a yellow flag be kept over the door where a case of infectious disease exists.

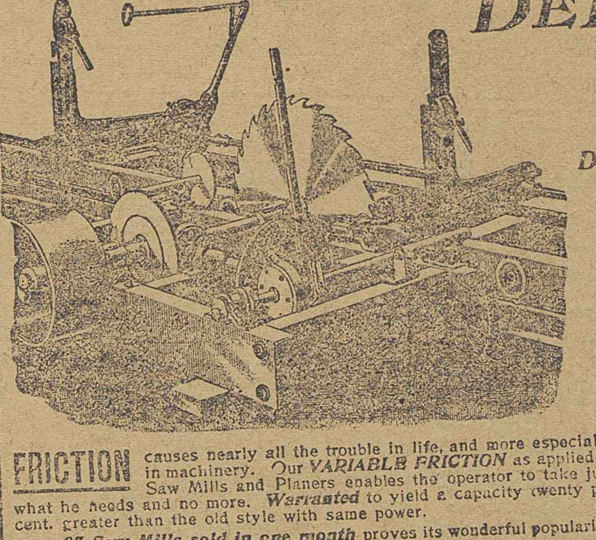
Shelby County Medical Society in convention assembled, unanimously passed the following resolution:

1. Resolved, That the Shelby County Medical Society do deplore the recent action of the county court of commissioners, and think that they made a grave mistake in not adopting the resolutions offered by the county health officer. We do not believe they have acted in a manner best calculated to promote the welfare of the citizens of this county.

2. Resolved, That these resolutions, together with Dr. Gnnn's, be published in the county papers.

J. R. MORGAN, M. D.
Secretary Medical Society.

An Iowa editor thus gives credit where credit is due: "The oyster and the strawberry have each done their share toward evangelizing the world. They have built and furnished more churches, paid the salaries of more preachers and helped more heathens than any other natural agencies in the world."—Ex.



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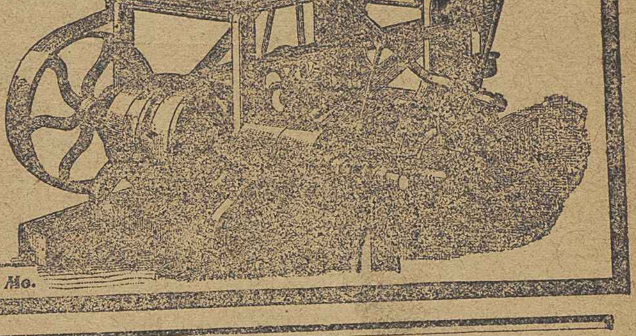

MONTEVALLO.

Health Officer Sanders Says It Will be Safe to Open the School the 21st.

Montevallo, March 5.—(Special to the Advertiser.)—Dr. Sanders, the state health officer, came here to-day at the request of President Reynolds of the Girls Industrial School to examine into the smallpox situation and to ascertain as to a suspicious case that the physicians had been unable to diagnose. Dr. Sanders made a thorough and careful examination and pronounced that the school could open without any difficulty whatever on the 21st, and the case in question could not be considered smallpox, and if varioloid, it was the mildest type he had ever seen. He unhesitatingly gave it as his opinion there was no danger whatever in reassembling the school on the 21st.

GRAND AND PETIT JURORS.

Drawn to Serve at Spring Term of Circuit Court.

GRAND JURORS.

G C Baine, H I Howard, J M Crenshaw, E C Lyde, W D Lacy, R A O'Hara, J B Jones, Rufus Lester, John M Fancher, Robert J Byers, L R Kendrick, Helton Davis, W R Little, John Bishop, Jr., I W Baily, J S Carden, G M D Ray, J E Adams. Flijah Stinson, R M Borum, J C Harmon.

PETIT JURORS—FIRST WEEK.

J L Wyatt, J F McCary, W F Seale, N W Wood, Thomas H Atkinson, T J Bierley, M E Howard, E L Garrett, D C Heaton, C E Essman, Sam M Lawley, W A Hooker, W I Whitfield, G T Fulton, James Dawson, D G Richardson, W H White, T J Weaver, John Crim, M T Horton, Bob Bazemore, T G Florey, A R Honeycutt, D C Glenn, J Crim, George W Shaw, C W Wade, John M Lacey, W R Alexander, J O Moore.

PETIT JURORS—SECOND WEEK.

Charles A Evans, John W Jones, Jr., W B Douglass, R J Farr, W T Goodwin, G W Mooney, A J DeShazo, John T Boothe, L W Hartsfield, E L Fulton, W J Atkinson, W W Elliott, J F Baker. Z A Bailey, J H McCall, N J Acker, S J Hinton, B E Bush, J J Keith, L G Lipsey, W A Norris, L W Chesser, J I Kinnett, John Zessick, Charles P McLane, S H Pledger, J F Lee, George P. Martin, Ollie Attaway, J F Holwell.

PETIT JURORS—THIRD WEEK.

John Cunningham, W H Wyatt, M E Lawler, Jackson Smith, J W Cost, David Farr, S A Kendrick, J C Mims, R T Gillian, W L Garrett, J T Wilder, Wm Benton, G M Weathers, J M Alexander, N M Davis, W T Harless, Joe Pich, D G Baker, John H McMath, R A Carden, J R Harless, T C Davidson, B W Gilbert, J K M Bunn, F M Hattaway, C A Glaze, E A Lee, W B Bagwell, W M Galaway, J S Nations.

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Notice for Publication.

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He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Ruben T. Gilliam, Quito, Ala., Paul Nabors, William Payne, Henry C. Taul, all of Pelham, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER, Register.

APPLICATION TO SELL LAND

STATE OF ALABAMA, SHELBY COUNTY. } PROBATE COURT SHELBY COUNTY ALA.

Under and by virtue of an order and decree of the Honorable D. R. McMillan, Judge of Probate for Shelby county, Ala., I, as administrator of the estate of William Booth, deceased, will sell at public oui cry, to the highest bidder for cash, at Montevallo, Ala., on Wednesday, the 16th day of March, 1898, during the legal hours of sale, for the purpose of distribution among the heirs of said place, all the following described real estate belonging to the estate of William Booth deceased, viz: The northeast quarter of the southeast quarter, and part of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section 20, township 21, range 4 west, containing 74 acres more or less, and situated in Shelby county, Ala.

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E. F. VEST,
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8.30am	8.30am	...Marion Jct	2.35pm	3.40pm
9.50am	9.50am	ar.. Selma...lv	1.50pm	3.00pm

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....	12.32pm	Childersburg.	2.37pm	....
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Ar Asheville	1.15pm	1.39am
Ar Salisbury........	6.40pm	6 00am
Ar Greensboro..........	9.52pm	8.50am
Ar Raleigh	7 10am	11.45am
Ar Norfolk		5.25pm
Ar Washington	6.42am	9.25pm
Ar New York........	12.43pm	6.23am

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Non-Resident Notice.

State of Alabama, Shelby County. } Probate Court, Special Term, Jan. 17th, 1898.

This day came Mary T. Taylor and her husband J. N. Taylor, and filed in this court their application in writing, alleging that they and John Jones, Mariah Searight and Emeline Sanders are the joint owners of certain real property described in their said petition, and that said property can not be equitably partitioned or divided without a sale thereof, and asking for an order to sell same. The 21st day of February, 1898, was appointed a day for the hearing of said petition; and, as it appears that the said John Jones, Mariah Searight and Emeline Sanders, reside without this State, in the State of Texas, their postoffice being unknown. It is, therefore, ordered that notice of said petition, and of the time and place set for hearing the same, be given by publication for three successive weaks in the People's Advocate, a newspaper published in Columbiana, in said county.

D. R. McMILLAN,
jan. 20-3. Judge of Probate.

Probate Notice.

State of Alabama, Shelby County. } Probate Court.

Estate of William Booth, deceased. Letters of Administration on the Estate of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 18th day of October 1897, by the Hon. D. R. McMillan, Judge of the Probate Court of Shelby County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate, are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law, or the same will be barred.

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SOCIAL AND LOCAL NEWS.

Points About People You Know and Some You Don't Know. News From Different Beats.

Ollie Cost, of Pelham, was in the city Monday.

S. H. Gist, of Calera, spent Sunday in the city.

Miss Alice Porter is on a visit to relatives at Blocton.

J. M. Spencer, of Birmingham, was in the city Monday.

J. K. Milner, of Anniston, was in the city last Friday.

Sam Lefkovits, of Bessemer, arrived in the city Tuesday.

Born, To Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Evans, on the 8th inst., a girl.

Supt. Eugene Williams, of Vincent was in the city Saturday.

Mrs. F. W. Gist visited relatives and friends at Lomax last week.

John Millstead, of Wilsonville, visited relatives in the city Sunday.

John W. Spradley, of Creswell, was in the city Monday and Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Beavers visited relatives at Harpersville Tuesday.

I. W. Bailey and lady, of Calera, spent Sunday with relatives in the city.

Mrs. Augusta Wilson, of Montevallo, is visiting relatives in the city.

Miss Alma Duran returned Monday from a visit to relatives in Birmingham.

Mrs. Collins, of Talladega, visited the family of W. B. Browne several days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Brooks, of Birmingham, are visiting relatives in the city this week.

Ed. Walls and Joe Bird spent Sunday evening at Shelby with friends and relatives.

Mrs. J. T. Cromwell and daughter, Miss Belle, are visiting relatives in Selma this week.

Miss Alice Anchors, who has been visiting relatives at Blocton, returned home Saturday.

Miss Lucy Leeper, of the Girls Industrial School at Montevallo, is visiting relatives and friends in the city.

J. S. Falkner, our accommodating assistant postmaster, is on a visit to relatives in Chilton county this week.

Don't fail to go to Johnston & Co's., store and examine their 10 cents counter. Articles wofth 50 cents for 10 cents.

Mrs. E. D. Hall and Mrs. F. A. Nelson returned last Thursday from a visit to friends and relatives in New Orleans.

Mrs. D. R. Cromwell and Mrs. King, of Ringgold, Tex., arrived in the city Saturday, and are the guests of B. W. Brand, Esq.

From now until Saturday I will sell for SPOT CASH 24 pounds of sugar for $1.00.

J. H. Hammond.

County court was in session all last week, and adjourned Saturday at noon. Quite a number of cases were tried, but few convictions were made.

Quite a number of our citizens went to Tallabega Saturday night to hear Hon. William Jennings Bryan speak. An excursion train left here over the L. & N. at 5:10 p. m., and returned about midnight.

The Democratic Executive Committee was in session here Monday. They decided to hold a convention April 13th to nominate county officers and elect delegates to the Judicial, Chancery and State conventions.

The old Methodist parsonage will be vacated next week, that it may be ready to be torn away, and the ladies will give an oyster supper on Friday evening, 25th inst. They will have at least two thousand oysters instead of one thousand as before. Further notice may be given as to the entertainment of the guests.

At congregational meeting of the Presbyterians, he'd at the church last Sunday a. m., Mr. Henry Milner was elected Elder, and Gordon DuBose, W. F. Thetford and A. S. Liles, were elected deacons. At the close of the evening service all four of the gentlemen were ordained and installed into the office to which they had been elected.

A Fair Girl's Birthday.

On last Monday Miss Alma Brand became seventeen years old. This is the first time that Miss Alma has ever been so old. Mr. and Mrs. Brand were very proud of this, and they spent the whole of the day receiving her friends.

The Columbiana Bar was honored with an invitation to dinner. The Bar numbers two candidates for probate judge, and they spent some time speaking to Mr. Brand's little children.

Mr. and Mrs. Brand certainly know how to make their visitors have a good time. Miss Alma makes a charming hostess, and her seventeen summers seemed to have been very kind to her.

She needed a good deal of tact to divide her smiles among the bachelor members of the Bar so that they would not be jealous. Just how she managed it is a mistery, but all of them were in a good humor when they left. There did seem to be some discontent among the men who were not bachelors.

The dinner was a complete success, everyone was sorry when the carriages came.

In the evening the house was thrown open to the young people of the town.

Even the moon seemed to know that Miss Alma was seventeen, and came to help her receive her guests. The moonlight made the girls look prettier, and this added to their pleasure.

The music that the band gave us was good, and the refreshments were just the kind to be enjoyed.

When the visitors finally began to leave, a pretty girl was heard to remark that it was a pity that Miss Alma had so few seventeenth birthdays. May she find something new and pleasant in each year that comes to her.

Primary Election Notice.

By virtue of authority vested in me by the populist executive committee of Shelby county, I hereby call a primary election, to be held in the different beats of the county at the usual voting places in such beats, on Saturday, March 19th, 1898, for the purpose of selecting candidates for the August election for Repaesentative, Judge of Probate, Circuit Clerk, Superintendant of Education and two commissioners from second and fourth districts and for the selection of three committeemen for each beat, to serve two years.

The executive committee of each beat will hold the election and forward the returns to the county executive committee, which will meet in the court house, on Saturday, March 26th, to open the returns and declare the result.

By order of Executive Committee

JOHN W. PITTS,
Chairman.

Honor Roll.

First Grade—Alice Nelson.

Second Grade—Eddie Barnett, Dinnie Mae Rowe, Olive Nelson.

Third Grade—Bessie Holcombe, Lavonia Tinney, Nena Millstead, Willie Chapman.

Fourth Grade—Edna Hallmark.

Fifth Grade—Emma Tinney, Hersher Spencer.

Sixth Grade—John Hallmark, Bertie Barnett, Annie Finley, Florence Spencer, Pauline Nelson.

Seventh Grade—Bernard Finley, Pierce Mason, Mary Finley, Belle Cromwell, Alma Brand, Georgia Thomas, Myrtle Thompson, Carrie Rowe, Allie Nelson, Minnie McGiboney, Lallage Longshore, Oza Hammond, Mable Greek.

Eighth Grade—John Mooney, Walter O'Hara, Will Weaver, Isaac Wood.

F. MYNATT, Principal.

DIED

ATKINSON.—On 3d inst., at his father's residence, on Beeswax creek, Isaac Atkinson, aged about 23 years.

BLACKMON.—On Sunday, on Waxahacthie, of pneumonia, Wilson Blackmon, son of J. M. Blackmon, aged 24 years.

HOLMES.—On Monday 7th, in the Kingdom neighborhood, William S. Holmes, aged 82 years. His remains were brought to Columbiana and buried in the old cemetery.

The county court, as at present constituted is an expensive luxury to the tax-payers of Shelby. Most of the time last week was consumed in trying cases brought into court on information or affidavits. The cases cost the county several hundred dollars, which would have been saved if an investigation could have been had before the justices of the peace in the beats.

Vincent.

Operator Blair spent Sunday in town visiting friends.

Mrs. W. H. Kidd spent last week in Columbiana visiting her fathers family.

Mrs. W. A. Brown is visiting her aunt, Mrs. H. C. Phillips at Sylacauga.

Walter Gardner and family came over Thursday from Pratt City with the remains of his little child, three years old and intered it at the Harpersville cemetery. The family have our sympathy in their bereavement.

G. C. Pitts attended his father's wedding at Woodlawn last week.

Rev. T. P. Roberts preached two very interesting sermons at the Methodist church Sunday.

Bob "had the go" on the other boys Sunday, and was all smiles.

Our editor passed through Thursday a. m. en route home with his bride. Three cheers for the Maj. and years of happiness.

Judge E. C. Lyde is attending United States court in Birmingham this week as a juror.

Mrs. J. J. Vincent is sick with La Grippe. We hope she may soon recover.

J. F. McGraw and wife, of Harpersville, spent a few hours in town Sunday afternoon.

It is reported that there is a case of smallpox at Wilsonville.

We regret to learn of the illness of Mr. D. C. Davis' mother.

Miss Sadie Vincent returned from Birmingham Monday last, where she had been visiting friends.

OCCASIONAL.

Lewis Blows.

Health not good.

Log rolling is the order of the day.

Miss Ida Farr is no better, but is very ill at this writing.

Dr. H. I. Williams spent Saturday night in our community.

G. W. Riddle attended divine services at McGowan's school house Sunday.

Several of our people attended court Monday.

Messrs. Ed Russell and Harvey Watters spent Friday, Saturday and Sunday with relatives in Talladega.

W. W. Hadaway has accepted a position with A. J. Roper.

J. F Baker, of Yellow Leaf, was in our neighborhood Sunday. Come again Frank, you have a hearty welcome.

L. B. Riddle paid the Kingdom a pleasant visit Sunday, and reported a lovely time.

George Powell visited J. H. Mason at Wilsonville Sunday.

Willie Finley, of near Columbiana, was in our neighborhood Sunday night.

We learn that there are several mad dogs traveling now. Everybody watch out for them.

The singing at Walter Blackerby's Saturday night, we are glad to state, was a grand success.

Mr. William Cardens' daughter was burried at Fourmile cemetery Monday.

SAGER.

Center Point Dots.

Health of community better this week than last.

The weather has been very inclement this week.

There has been several social entertainments given, but few attended.

The young people report a nice time at the social given them by Mr. Ocie Curlee on last Saturday night.

Misses Mattie and Eliza Farr, accompanied by their brother Mr. Caughey Farr, visited their sister Mrs. Ocie Curlee last Saturday.

Coleman Farr and Pole Stinson, of Fourmile, attended the entertainment Saturday night.

I learn that Prof. E. R. Newman was in charge of W. E. Merrells business last week while he and his wife made a pleasant trip to Birmingham.

We are all proud of our new pastor Rev. S. N. Burns. Every one who attended services Sunday seem to be delighted with him. He preached an able and interesting sermon.

SNIDER.

The Columbiana Mercantile company will pay from 8 to 13 cents for dry hides.

Do you want a good home, convenient to a good free school? If so, call at this office.

Saginaw Dots.

Lum Wooton, of Ebenezer, was in this place Thursday.

The farmers of this section are making good use of this beautiful weather.

Robt. Ferrell of Atlanta, Ga, is visitin relatives in this city.

H. C. Hale ended his school at Corinth last week, and will now be at home a few months.

We preshme there is still a great demand for lumber around Camp Branch, as Andrew Nabors carried away an ox wagon load Saturday.

Prof. E. R. Piper, principal of the Mt. Era high school, was at home Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. Carter, of East Lake, filled his regular appointments here and East Saganaw, Monday night.

Fletcher Green and family, of Wesington, are visiting their many friends and relatives in this place.

J. Denton, of Camp Branch, was one among the number of dear hunters here last Sunday.

Walter Wilson, accompanied by his cousin Frank Wilson, and Miss Eva Dalton, all of the Brierfield normal school, visited his father's family Satuday and Sunday.

Lookout for candidates, smallpox, maddogs, circuit court, and war, generally. But it seems that the papers are going to do all the fighting.

The republican party have put a tariff on wool, so we can look a sheep straight in the face, according to the price it is selling at, and the citizens of beat number 7 want a tax put on dogs, then we will have no sorry dogs and more heads of good sheep in the country. Let's hear from all correspondents of each beat in the county on this subject.

James Hinton, of Ebenezer, passed through the city Monday.

J. B. Adams, of Longview, has erected a water tank; something similar to Columbiana water works.

Success to the Advocate.

PRODITOR.

Waxahatchie.

Health not very good.

John Pearson, of Bridgton, one of our candidates for circuit clerk, passed through our community one day last week. He had the smile of a candidate.

John Hale is quite sick. We are afraid some one in the vicinity of mill will be disappointed Sunday.

Little Minnie Barnum, we are glad to state, is improving.

Miss Ida Lyon of Calera visited he aunt, Mrs. Jones, last Sunday.

Miss Georgia Thomas visited her sister last week.

Miss Ettie Dykes, and Mr. Will Lyon paid Columbiana friends a visit Sunday.

We can still see the grey horse wending its way toward the poor house. We may get to eat some cake yet.

Rufus Hale of Saginaw passed through our community enroute to Columbiana as a juryman.

Miss Mary Finley, we are sorry to report, is on the sick list,

Quite a number of young people went to Summer Hill last Sunday, and report having a good time and hearing a good sermon.

Rev. S. S. Crumpton filled his regular appointment at Mt. Olive last Saturday and Sunday.

We are sorry to report the death of Wilson Blackmon. He was a kind and highly esteemed young man of about 24 summers. He was kind and gentle to his associates, and was loved by them all.

Ellis Blackmon of Sylacauga was summoned to the bedside of his brother Wilson, but his remains had been put to rest before he arrived here.

If this don't find its way to the waste basket, we may come again.

CALLA LILLY.

Coalville.

Coalville, Ala., March 6, 1898.—Mr. Editor—You will please put these few lines in your paper, as one of the executive committee of beat 8, and I think I speak the sentiments of a majority of this beat, i. e., of the Pops to hold our primary election on the 19th of March as has been appointed. We see no good reasons for putting it off. Highland beat and also Bold Springs and many others in the county are opposed to putting the primary off longer.

J. W. DODSON.

Rehobeth.

A great deal of sickness in community at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Garrett were visiting in St. Clair recently.

Mr. Evans and family spent Sunday with friends at Bunkers Hill.

Mr. Lewis, of Eden, was in our settlement several days last week.

W. F. Holmes and James Mackey, Jr., were visiting in St. Clair Sunday.

Abe Turner, of Sterrett, was in our section last week buying cattle.

The Clinkscale brothers are rejoicing over their good fortune. They each have a new arrival at their house.

The saddest is, "its a boy again."

Mrs. Ann Holmes, wife of Jake Holmes, died on the 2st inst., bone cancer being the cause of her death. Her remains were buried at the Macedonia cemetery on the 2nd inst.

J. N. Wilder is now a full flegged matrimonial candidate. And if any of the fairea sex wishes a nice correspondent, and will drop him a card he will answer, giving the whys and wherefores and his regrets for being in the matrimonial race yet.

Farmers have been hustling to get their fertilizer home, and from the way they are bringing it in they are going to plant a big crop of five cent cotton. More cotton less corn, more debts less grub.

Mrs. Carrie Ciffer was united to Mr. Bowman of Talladega county in holy bonds of wedlock at the residence of Mr. J. J. Burks, on the 3rd inst., at 3 o'clock.

B Holmes, of the Kingdom, was in our vicinity last week.

Mrs. Rebecca Mackey spent a few days last week with her mother, Mrs. Kattie Clinkscalrs.

Politics are very quiet in this section. No other kind of "tics" having shown up yet.

Jack Martin has bought a fine buggy.

REPORTER.

Obituary.

In memory of little Mary Allie Elliott, who was born September 19th, 1879, and died February 24th, 1898.

Mary was a flower that bloomed in September and in February was taken away, and is now transplanted far above, where all is joy and peace and love.

Oh, how mother missed you, Mary dear; Your precious voice I cannot hear. Your sweet blue eyes that were so bright, You were the family's whole delight. Those eyes that watched to the last, and knew the family well. How sad it was to see you go, my tongue can never tell. How I miss my child so sweet, that was so dear to me; She was a precious child from birth. She is now no more on earth; but in Heaven she will ever be. Oh, God, prepare a place for me. I hope to meet that lovely face and know it as before. Where there is no sickness, pain or death, and parting is no more. Never in erring paths to walk, safe in the bosom of infinite love. Evermore walking in the light; my little Mary, robed in white.

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WATCH THIS SPACE NEXT WEEK FOR BARGAINS.

TO OUR FRIENDS.

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Announcement.

Candidates wishing Republican suppoat will do well to make it known through the columns of the Alabama Time Piece, Aldrich, Alabama, the only Republican organ of Shelby.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of one Fi Fa, issued from the Chancery Court of Shelby county, Sixth District north-eastern chancery division, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell in front of the court house in the town of Columbiana, Ala., on the 21st day of March, 1898, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

The east half of the northeast quarter, section 34, township 21, range 3 west, A so one dwelling house and lot in the town of Montevallo, said house is now occupied by H. R. Wells, formerly known as the Tom Wells house; bounded on the south by the Sam Allen lot, fronting street running from foot bridge to Southern Railroad. All in Shelby County, Ala.

Levied upon as the property of H. R. Wells, to satisfy said Fi Fa in my hands in favor of the American Mortgage Company of Scotland, Limited.

This 14th day of February, 1898.

E. F. VEST, Sheriff.

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Notice No. 19518.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., January 28, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court, at Columbiana, Ala., on March 10th, 1898, viz: Ruben Gilliam, Homestead entry No. 25,745, for the NW¼ of NE¼, NE¼ of NW¼ sec. 34, tp. 19 south range 2 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Robert J. McGuire, Quito, Ala., John Walker, Highland, Ala., Andrew Wilson, Highland, Ala., Rufus M. Ashton, Pelham, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER, Register.

Oxen Wear Shoes in Japan.

In far Japan the oxen wear shoes. The Japanese teamster is very considerate to the animals which do most of his work. He would not think of letting an ox go out without having placed a sort of sandal on his forefeet, which protects the animal's hoofs from injury. These sandals consist of a sole braided of rice straw, which is fastened to the hoof.

The longer a man is married the less he dodges when his wife throws things at him.

What She Said to Melba.

A young girl, an ardent admirer of Madame Melba, at a reception given for the latter was so completely overcome when it came her turn to have a word with the prima donna, that, blushing crimson and looking up with a sweet smile, she murmured: "You sing, I believe?"—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

Wisdom of Man.

The man who choice language commands
May talk on all subjects at will;
But his wisdom excels if he understands
Just when and where to keep still.

Many Languages in America.

There are, according to an eminent archaeologist, no less than from 120 to 130 absolutely distinct languages in North and South America. As the growth of langauge is very slow he thinks the fact of the existence of so great a variety of speech on the western continent proves that the native red men have inhabited it for many thousands of years.

Keep on Scratching.

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There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio.

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FIFTY FIFTH CONGRESS

The Senate—Monday.

Mr. Hoar moved that the senate nonconcur in the house amendments to the bankruptcy bill, and that a committee of conference be appointed. The matter went over.... The consideration of the Corbett case was then resumed. Mr. Bacon, of Georgia, addressing the senate in opposition to Mr. Corbett's claims. Mr. Burrows, of Michigan, followed with an extended and elaborate argument in opposition to the seating of Mr. Corbett. He maintained that the governor of a state had no authority to fill an original vacancy. Mr. Morgan, of Alabama, supported the claims of Mr. Corbett to a seat in the senate, holding that under no circumstances not absolutely tainting the applicant for admission with fraud, could the senate properly refuse to accept the governor's credentials. The resolution of the committee on privileges and elections declaring that Mr. Corbett was not entitled to a seat in the senate from Oregon, was then laid before the senate, and adopted, 50 to 19.... A bill authorizing the Mississippi River, Hamburg & Western railroad to construct a bridge across Bayou Martholome, in Arkansas, was passed. The senate then adjourned.

The House.

Consideration of the sundry civil appropriation bill was resumed in the house today.... Mr. Hull asked unanimous consent for the consideration of a joint resolution providing for the investigation by a joint committee of the house and senate of the expenditures for riven and harbor work at Savannah since January 1, 1892. Referred to military affairs committee.... When the sundry civil bill was taken up the pending amendment, appropriating $4,000 for building a road from Natchez to the national cemetery was adopted. An amendment requiring the clerks of federal courts in Arizona, New Mexico and Oklahoma to report their fees and emoluments annually was also adopted. Mr. Handy made a point of order against a provision relating to the Paris exposition, which was sustained, and the whole question went out of the bill. Consideration of the bill in committee of the whole was completed and it was reported to the house. Mr. Cannon demanded a separate vote on the amendment striking out the appropriation of $75,000 for the payment of those who informed the authorities of violations of internal revenue laws and urged the house to restore the appropriation for the detection of illicit stills. By a vote of 103 to 67 the provision was restored to the bill. The sundry civil bill was then passed and the house went back into committee of the whole.... Bills were passed granting the Nebraska, Kansas and Gulf railroad and the Denison and Northern railroad rights of way through the Indian Territory.... At 5:30 p. m. the house adjourned.

The Senate—Tuesday.

Shortly after the senate convened today, Mr. Perkins, of California, presented a favorable report upon Mr. Bacon's resolution providing for the erection in Statuary hall of the capitol of a bronze memorial tablet commemorative of the officers and sailors who lost their lives in the Maine disaster in Havana harbor. Objection being made to a specific location, the resolution was so amended as to provide for the erection of the tablet at some suitable place in the capitol. As amended the resolution was adopted.... Mr. Hoar then renewed the motion that the senate disagree to the house amendment to the bankruptcy bill and that a committee of conference be appointed.... The Alaskan homestead and right of way bill was laid before the senate and discussed, but went over.... The senate then went into executive session, and at 3:45 adjourned.

The House.

The house today entered upon the consideration of the Loud bill relative to the second-class mail matter. The bill is identical with that passed by the last congress, but Mr. Loud gave notice of an amendment permitting the transmission at pound rates of sample copies up to 10 per cent. of the bona fide circulation of the newspaper periodical. This amendment removes much opposition to the bill. The bill excludes from classification as second-class matter which pays postage at the rate of 1 cent per pound, books and reprints of books proved in serial form, "sample copies" of newspapers or periodicals, in excess of 10 per cent. of their bona fide circulation, unsold copies returned from agents and all publications designed primarily for advertising purposes. All such publications by its terms would go into the third-class, which pays 8 cents per pound. Second-class mail matter, by the bill, is restricted to newspapers and periodicals published at least four times a year from a known office of publication, issued under the auspices of benevolent or fraternal organizations, trades unions or orders having a membership of not less than 1,000. The bill, after several hours discussion, went over, and the house at 5 p. m. adjourned.

The House—Wednesday.

The house spent another day in debate upon the Loud bill relating to second-class mail matter. The speeches, as a rule, were of little interest. Tho speakers were Messrs. Bromwell (rep.), of Ohio, and Ogden (dem.), of Louisiana, in favor of the measure, and Messrs. Bell (pop.), of Col.; Simpson (pop.), of Kansas; Clark (dem.), of Missouri; Brown (rep.), of Ohio, and Lentz (dem.), of Ohio, in opposition to it, mainly on the ground that it was inimical to the interests of the country editor. Mr. Griggs (dem.), of Georgia, gave notice of an amendment to the amendment of which Mr. Loud gave notice yesterday providing that newspapers and periodicals should have the right to send out sample copies at pound rates to the number of 1,000 copies.... A bill was passed creating Knoxville, Tenn., a port of entry.... At 5:20 p. m. the house adjourned.

The Senate—Thursday.

During the almost entire session today the senate had under consideration the Alaskan homestead and railroad right of way bill. A motion to eliminate the homestead feature of the bill by striking out the first section was defeated.... The resolution providing for an investigation into the murder of the postmaster at Lake City, S. C., and his family, and the burning of his home was laid before the senate.... The motion of Mr. Hoar, to nonconcur in the house amendment to the bankruptcy bill was laid before the senate. Mr. Stewart offered a resolution that the senate conferees be instructed to insist upon the senate bill but after debate withdrew it. Mr. Hoar's motion to non-concur in the house amendment to the bankruptcy bill and that a committee of conference be appointed was adopted.

The House.

The Loud bill to correct alleged abuses in the second-class mail matter privilege, which last year passed the house 144 to 104, was buried under an overwhelming majority by the house today. The vote was not taken directly upon the bill, but on a motion to lay it on the table. By a vote of 162 to 119 the motion was carried. Forty-seven republicans joined with the democrats and populists in accomplishing this result and ten democrats voted with the majority of the republicans. The refusal of Mr. Loud to permit a vote on an amendment at the last minute was responsible in a measure for the result, but the strength of the measure undoubtedly waned throughout the three days' debate.... Mr. White (rep., N. C.), the only colored member of the house, asked unanimous consent for the introduction of a resolution appropriating the sum of $1,000, made immediately available, for the relief of the family of the postmaster who was murdered at Lake City, S. C. Objection was made and the regular order of business proceeded.... At 4:30 p. m. the house adjourned.

The Senate—Friday.

After a debate lasting several days, the senate late this afternoon passed the bill extending the homestead laws and providing for the right of way for railroads in the District of Alaska.

Section 13, providing for certain bonding concessions to Canada in lieu of provisions to be extended by the Dominion government to this country, however, induced a pretty lively debate, as it brought into the controversy the old fisheries questions on the New England coast which has been pending between the United States and Great Britain for 100 years. The statement was made on the floor of the senate that there was every reason to believe that by the passage of the bill the fisheries question could be settled without great effort, as assurances to that effect had been received from a large and influential element in Canada.

The senate at 5:05 went into executive session and at 5.20 p. m. adjourned until Monday.

The House.

Two more appropriation bills were sent to the president today, the pension bill and the consular and diplomatic, both of which went through their final stage in the house. The most important action taken was acquiescence to an agreement to make the bill appropriating about $1,200,000 for war claims, approved by the court of claims, under the provisions of the Bowman act, a special order for next Friday. The claims carried by the bill, 730 in number, are for stores and supplies seized during the war in the southern states.

Only two other bills were passed today, one to pay the heirs of Sterling T. Austin about $59,000 for cotton seized during the war and the other to pay an aggregate of $3,360 in small claims growing out of back pay, etc., earned during the war.

At 5 o'clock, under the rules, the house recessed until 8 o'clock, the evening session to be devoted to private pension bills.

SPAIN'S WAR PREPARATIONS.

Has Purchased Two Warships and Negotiating for Others.

A special from London says: Spain has purchased two cruisers which the Armstrongs have been building for Brazil, the Amazonius and a sister ship, unnamed, of 4,000 tons each, twenty-three knots and ten guns.

Spain is also negotiating for and will probably secure two cruisers of a similar type which have been building in France for Brazil.

The Amazonius is ready for launching, and her sister ship will soon be ready.

The Spanish government is also endeavoring to secure guns and large supplies of ammunition in England and on the continent for immediate use.

Demand Consul Lee's Recall.

Senor Gullon, Spanish minister of foreign affairs at Madrid, recently intimated to United Minister Woodford that the Spanish government desired the recall from Havana of Consul General Lee, and the American warships which have been assigned to convey provisions for the relief of Cuban sufferers there should be replaced by merchant vessels, in order to deprive the assistance sent to reconcentrados of an official character. Mr. Woodford cabled the request to the Washington government, which replied refusing to recall General Lee in the present circumstances, or to countermand the orders for the despatch of the war vessels, making the representations that the vessels are not fighting ships.

Germans Express Their Disgust.

German naval officers at Berlin censure the naval board of the United States for its delay in the Maine disaster. The German newspapers express supreme disgust for the dilatory tactics of the United States government, which they say evidences a spirit of cowardice more than diplomacy.

A financial corporation at Chicago, to be known as the International American bank, with branches throughout this country, Cuba and South America, and with offices in London, and possibly Paris, will soon be doing business on a capital stock of $25,000,000.

Ex-Consul General Iasigi is to keep books during his term in prison. That is hard labor, for those who find it difficult.

ENGLAND'S WHEAT FIELDS.

Many of Them Are More Than Ten Centuries Old.

Some very competent writers, frightened by the disproportion between the wheat grown in England and the quantity needed for our daily bread, have recently urged the establishment of public granaries, for use in time of war. The only wonder is that the figures which impress them have not made more impression on the public. But while hundreds of thousands of acres of good wheat lands lie uncultivated in England, the proposal to buy and hoard foreign corn is rather too previous. Our best public granaries are the wheat fields of old England, which have fallen into partial ruin and premature decay.

The wheat fields of England have two special claims to consideration, based on their merits, and apart from sentiment, though we have lately begun to apprehend that national sentiment in great concerns may be as valuable as public spirit in small ones. But the fact remains that the wheat fields of England are the oldest national industries in this conutry, and the most productive in the world.

A wheat field a thousand years old is quite a common sight in this country. Of course, it has not grown a crop of corn every year in the ten centuries, but during that long sequence of ages, in the fixed and abiding order of this ancient country, that particular area of land has been cultivated, with the production of wheat as its main object, and it has remained as part of the English granary from the days of Edward the Confessor until those of Victoria. Many of the wheat fields are far more ancient than this, but the record of Doomsday Book is a practical voucher for a period of 1,000 years. The custom of the Saxon cultivators, and the evidence of local names, are proof of a still greater antiquity of cultivation on some of the best corn land; and beyond the days of the Saxons lie the last two centuries of Roman occupation, when England was the great wheat producing country of the west, and supplied the population of Rome with daily bread.

Perhaps the most interesting feature of our ancestral corn lands is the small degree in which their appearance can have changed in the course of ten or twelve centuries. Their area is much greater than in the old times, when villages were separated by wide woodlands, and only grouped and contiguous in the open country. The early Saxon times were not days in which men cared to lay field to field. There was plenty of ground available, and of this the villagers cultivated and sowed with corn as much as they needed for their year's supply.—London Weekly Country Life.

Jewish Shekel Worth $5,000.

Charles Lunn and J. J. Shragge of Winnipeg are the possessors of a rare coin. Numismatists say that it is worth from $5,000 to $6,000. The coin is a Jewish silver shekel, worth intrinsically about 52 cents, and about as large as an American or Canadian half dollar. It appears to be very ancient. On the one side is a representation of Aaron's rod, with the words "Jerusalem the Holy" in Hebrew characters, and on the other a pot of manna and the inscription, in the same characters, "Shekel Israel."

Above the pot of manna there is supposed to be a sort of effulgence or scroll, bearing in the middle a Hebrew character. Upon the presence of this mark, which experts can detect by heating the coin, depends its genuineness. Experts state that the coin is the shekel coined by Simon Maccabeus, high priest and ruler of the Jews, 140 B. C. He was famous in Jewish history. The coin was obtained by the present holders from a person in whose possession it had been over 20 years. The present holders have each a half interest in it. The coin is in a safety deposit vault, whence it can only be taken by the two jointly. The Numismatic Bank of Boston places the value of the piece at from $5,000 to $6,000. The owners are now waiting for replies from Great Britain.—New York Tribune.

An Electric Bed Quilt.

Something new under the sun is what may be described in popular language as an electric bed quilt. A writer in the Scientific American more technically tells of it "as a coil of wire bent in the fashion of a gridiron enclosed in insulating and non-conducting material and embedded in cotton, wool, or other soft substance with a silk or muslin covering. The resistance offered by the coil to the flow of an electric current through the wire produces heat in the same way that heat, and, eventually, light, are produced in the filament of the glow lamp." These quilts may be, it seems, readily attached to ordinary incandescent lamps and are regarded by medical men as promising great value on the operating table. Here, when an operation is prolonged, the usual means of sustaining the patient's temperature hot water, blankets, etc., interfere very seriously, sometimes, with its progress. The electric quilt could be much easier used. Its therapeutic value for rheumatism and other kindred diseases is also obvious. It is becoming more and more evident that the greatest fairy stories of the world are going to be told of electricity; and, unlike the accepted idea of such tales, they are going to be true.

A Harvest of Human Hair.

Perhaps there is no staple article of commerce about which less is known by the average person than human hair. It will doubtless surprise many to learn that the dealers in human hair do not depend on chance clippings here and there, but there is a regular hair harvest that can always be relied upon. It is estimated that over 12,000 pounds of human hair are used annually in the civilized world for adorning the heads of men and women, but principally the fair sex.

The largest supply of hair comes from Switzerland, Germany and the French provinces. There is a human hair market in the department of the lower Pyrenees, held every Friday. Hundreds of hair traders walk up and down the one street of the village, their shears dangling from their belts, and inspect the braids of the peasant girls, standing on the steps of the houses, let down for inspection. If a bargain is struck the hair is cut, and the money paid on the spot.

A woman's hair may grow to the length of six feet. A single hair will bear up a weight of four ounces without breaking, but the hair thus heavily tried must be a dark brown, for blonde hair breaks under a strain of two and one-half ounces.

Dealers in human hair can tell in a moment whether the locks offered them have been cut off or combed out. They do this by rubbing the hairs through the fingers. If the hair had been cut from the head and has not been misplaced, it remains in its original position. If it has been pulled or combed out and put together regardless of the direction in which it grew, one portion of it will slip to the right and the other to the left. It does this because the jagged edges catch each other and pull in opposite directions.—London Mail.

The Defense of a Castle, 1450.

Sir John Falstaff had by his will devised his castle, called Caister, to John Paston. As a fortification it was an excellent defense against foreign invaders, and as a residence it was worthy of royalty itself. In fact, the Duke of Gloster, afterwards Richard III., at one time contemplated making it his abode. While Paston was trying to establish his title in the courts, the Duke of Norfolk purchased a pretended claim for it, and sought to gain possession by force. The Pastons did not propose to yield, though the Duke was then probably the most powerful noble in England, and John Paston was his liveried servant. Four professional soldiers were sent up from London to aid in the defense. They are described as "provyd men, coming in werr and well schote both gonnes and crossbows, and devyse bolworkys, and keep wacche and warde. They be saddle and we advysed, saving one of them, whyche is ballyr (bald), but yit he is no brawler. Ye shall fynd them gentlymanly comfortable fellows, and that they dare abyde by ther taklyng."

Young John Postan, aided by these four and by a handful of personal friends and followers, held the castle for several weeks against a siege conducted by the Duke's army of 3,000 men. By the terms of the final surrender the besieged were allowed their lives and goods, horses and harness, and a respite for fifteen days, in which to go where they pleased. The reported that they were forced to surrender by "lak of vitayl, gonepowdyr, menys herts and surete of rescue." Edward IV. had refrained from interfering in this extraordinary contest, because the troubles with Warwick were gathering thickly about him, and the Mowbrays were too necessary to be safely offended.—Sewanee Review.

New Island off Borneo.

A sensation has been created in the Straits settlements and the far east by the sudden appearance of a new island off the coast of Borneo, between Nemtakol and Lumbdidan. The island is forty-five feet high, a third of a mile long and a quarter of a mile wide. For the most part the island is merely an upheaval of the bottom of the sea, but at its highest point there is a distinct mud crater, with the cone-shaped top and sides fallen in. The sides of the cone give evidence of having been forced up through a crevice in solid rock. The British North Borneo Herald says the cone, which is thirty yards in diameter, is surrounded by another and larger cone, which shows that with more pressure from beneath a much larger crater would have been formed. The rising of the island was not accompanied by any volcanic disturbance. The crater is seamed with crevices and cracks, which emit gases. By applying a torch to a small crack in the crater the gas ignites and burns steadily.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Lived 99 Years in Same House.

John T. Scribner, of South Wales, Me., has neither father nor mother, sister nor brother, uncle nor aunt, nor wife. His nearest living relative is his boy, a robust lad of 68 summers. The fact of the matter is that John T. Scribner, who was 90 last July, is the oldest man now living in the town. He was born in the house where he and his son reside on July 28, 1807. The house was erected in 1806. He used to be an inveterate smoker, having formed the habit when he was but 10 years old, but 20 years ago he sat down in front of the open fireplace and lit his pipe. It failed to draw to suit him, and after three unsuccessful attempts to remove the difficulty he dashed the pipe against the bricks in the back of the fireplace and has never smoked from that day to this.

Seeing Things Right Side Up.

Some persons find difficulty in understanding how, since the images of objects looked at are inverted in the eyes, we nevertheless see the objects right side up. Recent experiments by Doctor Stratton indicate that we possess an interesting power of adjustment in this regard. He wore inverting glasses which reversed everything within reach of his eyes, so that, for him, the ground was above and the sky below while things on the right were seen on the left, and things on the left were seen on the right. Continuously for eight days he wore the glasses, and within that time all his bodily movements became adjusted to the new order, so that he could walk the streets without much difficulty

A Wonderful Power.

Chicago has a girl named Elfa, who is described as a most wonderful creature so far as her ability to see the invisible is concerned. It is claimed that she can describe the contents of a purse held up before her without touching the purse itself, telling how many coins are in it and what their value is. She turns her back to the street, and, with closed eyes, can accurately describe every passerby, mentioning the color and cut of each one's clothing, and any physical peculiarity he or she may have. By looking at an invalid she can diagnose any disease and suggest the proper remedies for it. She may be fitly and is described as "a human X-ray."

A paper watch has been exhibited by a Dresden watchmaker. The paper is prepared in such a manner that the watch is said to be as serviceable as those in ordinary use.

Taking a hint from the generation of electricity at Niagara falls and more especially from the Carnegie iron works, where electricity is generated by steam engines and dynamos, a great electric-power scheme has been originated in what is called the "black country" of northwestern England, where electricity will be generated in connection with the great manufacturing establishments and supplied from these as centers to several big towns. The idea, as stated by the Birmingham Post, is "to erect at a convenient center boilers and engines to the extent of 6,000 to 10,000 horse-power and to work a radius of about six miles." The promoters of the scheme affirm they will be able to supply electricity very much more cheaply than can be done by individual works and at a rate not much higher than at Niagara. They will supply electricity for pumping mines, running tramways, electric lighting and for various mechanical purposes. Not only will they enable many manufacturing establishments to cheapen the cost of production but the introduction of electricity on the scale contemplated will help to redeem this part of England from the appellation—"the black country."

Hard Plant to Kill.

There is a plant in Jamaica called the life plant, because it is almost impossible to kill it. When a leaf is cut off and hung up by a string it sends out white, threadlike roots, gathers moisture from the air, and begins to grow new leaves. Even when pressed and packed away by a botanist it has been known to outgrow the leaves of the book in which it was placed. The only way to kill it is by the heat of a hot iron or of boiling water.

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Report of Decree—The Famous $50,000 Trade-mark Case Decided—C. F. Simmons Medicine Company, St. Louis, Defeats J. H. Zeilin & Co., Philadelphia.

[From St. Louis Republic, July 4, 1893.]

"The Supreme Court of Tennessee on June 30 decided the most important trade-mark case that has ever been tried in that State and one of the largest ever tried in the Union, affirming and enlarging the opinion of the court below. The court held:

1. That Dr. M. A. Simmons, the predecessor of complainant, by extensive advertising of his celebrated remedy known as "Simmons Liver Medicine," made it a standard remedy for liver diseases long prior to the acquisition by J. H. Zeilin & Co. of any rights.

2. That the assignor of J. H. Zeilin & Co., through whom they claimed the right to make the fraudulent packages enjoined, never derived any title from A. Q. Simmons to make the medicine nor to use his name or picture, and that such use by Zeilin & Co. is a fraud upon the public, and is therefore enjoined.

3. That Zeilin & Co. purposely, fraudulently labeled their medicine in imitation of complainant's medicine to unfairly appropriate the trade of the Simmons Medicine Company, and the execution of this fraudulent purpose and act is enjoined.

4. Enjoined Zeilin & Co. from using their competitor's trade-name, trade-marks, or symbols, or imitations thereof, to deceive the public and unfairly appropriate to themselves the trade of the C. F. Simmons Medicine Co.

5. Enjoined Zeilin & Co., from deceiving and practicing a fraud upon the public by labeling their packages in imitation of the wrappers and trade-marks of the complainant.

6. Enjoined Zeilin & Co. from the manufacture and sale of the medicine under the name of "Simmons Liver Medicine," or "Dr. Simmons Liver Medicine," or "Liver Medicine by A. Q. Simmons," and from using the picture of A. Q. Simmons in connection therewith.

7. Enjoined Zeilin & Co., their assignees, agents and employes from deceiving and practicing a fraud upon the public by the sale of packages thus falsely labeled, either upon orders or calls for the genuine "Simmons Liver Medicine" of complainant, or in any package thus falsely labeled.

8. The court stated that it was the purpose of the court to entirely destroy the fraudulently labeled packages above described, and cause their removal from the market, and ordered Zeilin & Co. to deliver to the clerk to be destroyed, all cuts, dies, electrotypes, engravings and other paraphernalia used in impressing either of the above names or the picture of A. Q. Simmons.

9. Decreed that Zeilin & Co. pay all the damages which have accrued to complainant by the sale of these fraudulently labeled packages. The damages claimed by complainant were $50,000.

10. Decreed that Zeilin & Co. pay all the costs, which amount to several thousand dollars, the record being one of the largest ever filed in the Supreme Court."

Cheap Medicine.

As a rule, "cheap medicine" is inert, worthless, or dangerous. In Zeilin & Co.'s answer to our bill they said the packages enjoined were designed as "cheap negro medicine for the negroes of the Mississippi Valley." Now, as Zeilin & Co.'s advertisements say, and their manager swore, that all the liver medicine which they make is made by the same formula, is this not conclusive evidence from their sworn testimony and advertisements, that all the liver medicine emanating from them is "Cheap Negro Medicine?" Question: Do the sick of America desire "Cheap Negro Medicine?" Let the afflicted answer by their future purchases. Dr. M. A. Simmons' Liver Medicine, established in 1840, is not "cheap medicine." It is "no cure all," and is only recommended for those indispositions caused by inactivity of the liver.

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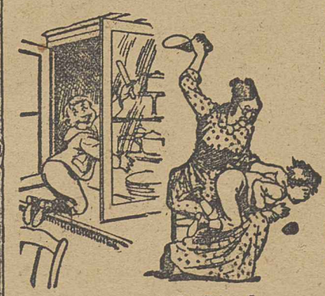

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STATE NEWS BRIEFLY EPITOMIZED.

REPRESENTATION OF DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

NEW COTTON MILL TO BE BUILT AT FLORENCE.

Brave Ex-Confederate Dead—Big Illicit Whisky Plant Destroyed—End of the Smallpox Epidemic in Jefferson County—An Engineer Killed on the East and West Railroad—Briefly Noted.

REPRESENTATION

Of Counties at the Democratic State Convention at Montgomery.

At the meeting of the state democratic executive committee, held at Montgomery on February 15, last, a resolution was adopted fixing the representation to the state convention, which meets on April 20, the same as at the last convention, as follows, by counties:

Autauga, 4; Baldwin, 3; Barbour 12; Bibb, 5; Blount, 7. Bullock, 9; Butler 7; Calhoun, 11; Chambers, 9; Cherokee, 7; Chilton, 5; Choctaw, 6; Clarke, 8; Clay, 5. Cleburne, 4; Coffee, 4; Colbert, 7; Conecuh, 5: Coosa, 5; Covington, 3; Crenshaw, 5; Cullman, 4; Dale, 6; Dallas, 16; DeKalb, 7; Elmore, 7. Escambia, 3; Etowah, 7; Fayette, 4; Franklin, 4; Geneva, 4; Greene, 7; Hale, 9; Henry, 8; Jackson, 9; Jefferson, 30; Lamar, 5; Lauderdale, 8; Lawrence, 7; Lee, 10; Limestone, 7; Lowndes, 11; Macon, 6; Madison, 13; Marengo, 11; Marion, 4; Marshall, 6; Mobile, 17; Monroe, 6; Montgomery, 19; Morgan, 8; Perry, 10; Pickens, 7; Pike, 8; Randolph, 6; Russell, 8; St. Clair, 6; Shelby, 7; Sumter, 10; Talladega, 10; Tallapoosa, 8; Tuskaloosa, 10; Walker, 5; Washington, 3; Wilcox, 10; Winston, 2. Total, 504.

Call for Democratic Convention.

Pursuant to resolutions adopted at a meeting of the state executive committee of the democratic party held in Montgomery February 15, Chairman Knox has made the following call:

The state convention and the judicial, chancery and senatorial conventions of all the judicial circuits, chancery divisions and senatorial districts which have no executive committee are called to meet in the hall of the house of representatives in the city of Montgomery April 20, 1898. The beat meetings and primary elections to send delegates to the county conventions are called for Saturday, April 9, 1898, and the county conventions and mass meetings to send delegates to the state convention and such judicial, chancery and senatorial conventions are called for Wednesday, April 13, 1898.

Epidemic Ended.

The smallpox epidemic in the Birmingham section of the state is officially as well as actually at an end. The disease practically has been stamped out for some weeks, but the marine hospital corps physicians who were sent here several months ago to take charge of the situation in this and other counties have remained in order to prosecute the work of vaccination and complete their labors in eradicating the disease finally. They have been very successful, so much so that there are now but twenty patients at the Red Mountain hospital and all are convalescing. Dr. Metzruder, representing the marine hospital service, who has been in charge here, closed up headquarters last week, and after transmitting a letter to Mayor Evans announcing the completion of his work, left for his home in Memphis.

Mammoth Saw Mill Plant Burned.

Saturday evening fire destroyed the mammoth saw and planing mill of Arantz Bros. and several other buildings at Decatur. The loss on the plant alone was $50,000, to say nothing of the losses on other buildings and an enormous pile of lumber which, at present, cannot be estimated. There was not a cent of insurance carried on the plant, but $40,000 on the lumber yard.

Bryan Gives a Prize to the University.

Hon. Wm. J. Bryan has given to the University of Alabama $250, the same to be invested and the annual proceeds used for a prize to be given to students for the best essay discussing the Science of Government. Dr. Powers in behalf of the institution and the board of trustees has accepted the donation.

Cotton Mill Propcsals for Huntsville.

An interesting and largely attended meeting of the chamber of commerce was held in Huntsville Friday and favorable reports from several committees appointed to secure new industries were heard. President R. E. Pettus made a lengthy address, saying that the chamber of commerce could within a week secure fifty bona fide propositions from cotton mill men who will locate there for small bonuses. He named three that he says can be secured for $20,000. The secretary reported that he is now receiving more literature than ever before and that many representatives of cotton mills have been in Huntsville prospecting during the past month.

Shortage by Error.

State Examiner Foster reported Friday on his investigation of the books of former Tax Collector C. W. Wright, of Lawrence county. Mr. Wright was found to be indebted to the state by reason of clerical errors $120, which he promptly paid into the treasury.

Engineer Killed.

Passenger train No. 2, on the East and West railroad, went through a burning trestle near Ragland Thursday, and Engineer Spencer Phillips was killed.

COTTON MILL FOR FLORENCE.

Deal for a Factory to Cost $100,000 Has Been Arranged.

A deal for the establishment of a $100,000 cotton factory has just been arranged at Florence, and work on the plant will be begun immediately. At the head of the deal is Mr. F. M. Perry, a local business man who is well able to carry out any plan he may decide upon, being the wealthiest man in the county. Mr. Perry has purchased from the Florence Cotton and Iron company of Philadelphia a tract of twelve hundred acres of land on Cypress creek, together with all the water power and rights, and about a dozen buildings, including the building formerly used by the Cypress Mill company, and will begin at once to repair the old building, erect new buildings, and purchase new machinery. He will spend between $50,000 and $75,000 on the plant this year.

New Officer's Good Showing.

The appointment a few months ago of Hon. John Case, of Mobile, as tax collector for that county, to succeed Mr. Lott, whose defalcations to the state and county are something like $10,000, appears to be in line with the other acts of Governor Johnston's business administration. From last October to March 1 the new tax collector has accounted for $204,317. The collections for the whole of the previous year, under his predecessor, amounted to only $153,163.

A Brave Ex-Confederate Dead.

William W. Beasley, one of the bravest men that ever wore the gray, died in Louisville, Ky., last week. He left Selma with Company A, of the Fourth Alabama regiment, giving up his work as a printer to go to the front in defense of his country. At Manassas, single-handed and alone, he captured twenty-one Yankees. In their flight on that occasion they ran into a cellar. Young Beasley cut off their retreat and made each one come out and lay down his arms.

Big Illicit Whisky Plant Destroyed.

One of the largest illicit whisky plants destroyed in Alabama in many days fell into the hands of a deputy collector near Paint Rock, Jackson county, a day or two ago. The plant consisted of two 400-gallon stills, three 2,000 gallon beer tanks, six 40-gallon beer stands, seven 1,000-gallon mash stands and a quantity of tools. The plant was situated in a secluded place on the banks of the Tennessee river.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

Wm. J. Bryan spoke to a large concourse of people at Selma Tuesday night.

Rev. I. Dawson, a noted negro preacher and politician of Greene county, died the past week.

The Birmingham Railway & Electric Company will extend its West End line to Powderly within the next four weeks.

Ed. James, while coupling cars on the L. & N. railroad at Decatur, tripped in a frog and fell. His foot was cut off and the man otherwise badly bruised.

William Vanhille committed suicide in Birmingham Saturday night by taking morphine. The deceased was at one time a prosperous cotton merchant of New Orleans.

The business and publishing interest of the Southwestern Presbyterian, now published at New Orleans, are to be at once transferred to Birmingham, under the care of Rev. J. G. Snedecor as its business manager.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Western railroad at Montgomery the necessary money for the contemplated depot and other improvements in that city was voted. The estimated cost will be $150,000.

J. G. Stewart has mysteriously disappeared from his home, New Decatur.

Birmingham's cotton receipts for the season up to last Thursday have been 106,928 bales.

The criminal grand jury of Jefferson county, which was orgazized Feb. 21, has concluded its labors. Out of 232 cases presented for consideration 155 true bills of indictments were found.

The new law for Limestone county, by which one-tenth of 1 per cent is levied for road purposes, is declared unconstitutional. The decision makes much trouble, as several thousand dollars worth of tools, etc., had been purchased for the work, which now becomes useless.

Good Fighting Machines.

It is stated that the government is considering a plan whereby the thirty-five whaleback vessels on the lakes can be turned into formidable fighting machines in case of war. They can be submerged so that only one foot of the upper works appear above water.

Russia Will Strengthen Her Navy.

An imperial ukase just issued orders the disbursement of 90,000,000 roubles (about $70,000,000) as extraordinary expenditure for the construction of warships.

WILL SECURE TWO WARSHIPS.

British Sympathy in This Controversy Is With the United States.

After the cabinet meeting Friday one of the members said:

"It is now altogether probable we will secure two vessels under construction for the Brazilian government. It is not possible at this time to say just how many ships in all the government will be able to secure. It has options on a number that have been offered, but nothing is likely to be definitely accomplished in the way of acquiring them until an examination is made into their condition, for which purpose a naval officer has been dispatched abroad.

"We do not want a lot of vessels that other nations contracted to be built and now find are not up to expectations. The fact is notorious that there are not a great many really good vessels to be had, but I should not be surprised if we are able to get a half dozen formidable ones at least. The $50,000,000 appropriation for war preparations will be expended in this country, except such as may be used in the purchase of ships and in the acquisition of munitions of war that are not obtained here.

"Yes, I think the sympathy of the British government in this controversy is with the United States. At any rate, she does not side with Spain. I do not mean by this statement to have you infer that the English will be open advocates of our cause and extend us substantial help, but will give us their moral support.

A PANIC IMMINENT.

Spanish Stocks Take a Heavy Tumble. Calls on the Government for Statement.

At Madrid the anxiety as to the relations between Spain and the United States, which has pervaded financial and commercial circles for several days, culminated on Thursday in a heavy fall in funds, all securities of the exterior and interior debts declining 1 per cent. Treasury bonds declined 1 to 2 per cent; Cuban bonds going down 3 per cent; Bank of Spain shares dropping from 4.13 to 4.11, and Tobacco shares going down from 2.55 to 2.40. Foreign exchanges have risen in an unprecedented degree, the prices on Paris being at 38 premium and on London at 39 premium.

All the newspapers call upon the government to stop the panic by a prompt and clear statement as to the real conditions existing in Cuba, and also defining the international relations.

The newspapers re-echo the profound sensation and displeasure caused by the United States sending the Montgomery to Havana, and by the appropriation of $50,000,000 for the national defense.

M'KINLEY STANDS FIRM.

Plan to Seize Cuba Should Peace Efforts Fail.

Postmaster General Gary Saturday told a southern supreme court judge that not until the president had exhausted every appeal to God and man would he countenance war, but that if these appeals availed not, he would then, with a full realization of his responsibility, enter into a war with Spain, knowing that the God of nations would adjudge the cause of this country to be righteous and just.

If Spain absolutely refuses compliance with our demands this government will be required to act.

The president has decided, in that event, to at once seize the island of Cuba and take possession of the port of Havana and collect the revenues until the indemnity demanded is paid, when he will turn the island over to the Cuban republic which will in the meantime be recognized through congressional enactment.

Philippine Rebellion Breaks Out Again.

Special dispatches from Shanghai say there is little doubt that the prospect of trouble between the United States and Spain has caused the rebellion in the Philippine Islands to break out again, aad has increased the fierceness of the insurgents, who, it is declared, have captured Atarri and Camarag, important towns connected by railroad with Manilla. It is further announced that the whole of the northern provinces have revolted, the inhabitants having refused to pay any taxes and have destroyed the telegraph lines. The insurgents appear to be well supplied with arms and ammunition.

NAVIL BILL COMPLETED.

Carries $30,000,000, Aside From Dry Docks and Armor.

The naval appropriation bill has been practically completed by the house committee. It will be reported early this week. There have been few changes from the estimates, and the bill will involve in the neighborhood of $30,000,000, aside from new vessels, dry docks and armor.

A Triple Alliance Pending.

The New York correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says: "I have it on the highest authority that a triple alliance between Great Britain, the United States and Japan is pending."

McKisson Will Contest.

Mayor Robt. E. McKisson, of Cleveland, Ohio, has announced that he will contest the election of Senator Hanna when the latter attempts to take his seat for the long term. Mr. McKisson was the candidate of the opposition for senator at Columbus last January.

Sails for Mantanzas.

The Fern sailed from Key West for Mantanzas Friday with a cargo of provisions for the starving Cubans.

NEW DEPARTMENT CREATED

Orders Drafted by Secretary of War Alger Making

ATLANTA A POINT OF NATIONAL RENDEZVOUS

Department of Texas Has Been Wiped Off the Military Map—Brig.-Gen. Graham to Assume Command of the New Department.

A special from Washington to the Atlanta Constitution of Saturday says:

The secretary of war has issued an order creating a new military department, with headquarters at Atlanta. General Alger came to that decision this afternoon, and before the information had been given out telegraphic instructions were sent to Brigadier-General William M. Graham, commander of the department of Texas at San Antonio, to proceed at once to Atlanta with two of his staff officers, the others to remain to attend the details of the removal of the troops.

The same order which establishes the new department, to be known as the department of the gulf, abolishes the department of Texas, which has been in existence many years.

The removal of the headquarters from San Antonio is not without a heavy loss to the government, on account of the fact that the headquarters buildings in San Antonio will have to be abandoned, at least temporarily.

There are no government buildings in Atlanta for the accommodation of the headquarters and for the present available buildings will have to be hired.

The new department will consist of the states of Georgia, South Carolina, Texas, Louisiana, Alabama, Florida and Mississippi.

That portion of the formal issued by the war department covering the creation of this new department reads as follows:

"A department is hereby established to be known as the department of the gulf, to consists of the states of South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas, with headquarters at Atlanta, Ga.

"The records of the department of the Missouri will be transferred to the department of the lakes and those of the department of Texas to the department of the gulf.

"Major General James R. Brooks is assigned to the department of the lakes, and Brigadier General Wm. M. Graham to the command of the department of the gulf.

"The officers of the several staff departments now on duty in the department of the Missouri and the department of Texas are assigned to like duties in the department of the lakes and of the gulf respectively."

This is based on an entire rearrangement of the several departments. By this the department of the Missouri and the department of Texas are done away with.

This leaves the departments of the army:

Department of the East, with headquarters at Governor's island, New York.

Department of the Lakes, with headquarters at Chicago.

Department of Dakota, with headquarters at St. Paul.

Department of the Colorado, with headquarters at Denver.

Department of the Platte, with headquarters at Omaha.

Department of California, with headquarters at San Francisco.

Department of the Columbia, with headquarters at Vancouver barracks.

Department of the Gulf, with headquarters at Atlanta.

WAS A CUBAN VICTORY.

Nearly 900 Spaniards Were Killed at Najasa.

The Cuban junta at New York has received by message the official report of General Rope Recio, who commanded the Cuban forces at the battle of Najasa, on February 21-24. The details of the battle show that while the Cubans were outnumbered four to one, for four days they held their position and caused the Spanish troops to retreat, leaving 293 dead men upon the field. The Spanish version said the fighting resulted in a victory for Spain.

PLANS BEING SUBMITTED

To the President to End the Cuban Controversy Without War.

Projects for the settlement of the Cuban question are numerous, but most of them are regarded in official circles as unworthy of serious consideration. One plan, however, has been prosented to the president which has received the approval in a general way of leading men whose counsels have weight with the administration, and there is reason to believe it is the subject of studious reflection in the cabinet. The proposed plan gives to Cuba all of the rights, privileges and immunities enjoyed by Canada, Spain reserving to herself only such rights as England exercises over her colonies.

The Utmost Haste.

Orders of a most specific nature have been sent out to all officers in coast fortifications requiring the utmost haste in completing preparations for hostilities.

The president told a member of the senate that the situation had not changed, and, to quote the exact words of the senator, "The president decided to intervene in Cuba a month ago, and the Maine disaster has given him the opportunity to prepare for the consequences of such an act in an open and more efficient way."

GUNS FOR THE COAST.

All That Can Possibly Be Made Are Wanted.

Secretary Alger has authorized General Flagler, the chief of ordnance, to make arrangements at once for procuring a large number of rapid fire guns for seacoast defenses. This action is taken without waiting for the allotment among the various bureaus of the war and navy departments of the $50,000,000 voted for the national defense.

The secretary felt that there was no reason for further delaying the necessary steps for the procurement of these guns, as it was felt there would be no trouble in arriving at an equitable adjustment of the money available.

Ever since the battleship Maine was wrecked in Havana harbor the ordnance department has been hastening the delivery of guns already finished and making arrangements for the supply of such additional ones as the officials felt warranted in ordering without the additional funds which have since been put at their disposal.

The ordnance bureau will take all the rapid fire guns that can be procured within a reasonable time, and they will be shipped to the seacoast for fortifications as rapidly as possibly. They constitute what is known as the auxiliary defense of the fortifications, and are a material assistance to the big guns, which are necessarily slower of movement of firing.

Contracts for the delivery of carriages for these rapid fire guns have also been authorized, and will be shipped to the fortifications as soon as completed.

"VERY REMOTE"

Is the Possibility of Settling the Controversy Without War, Says McKinley.

A Washington special says: So clear is it now to all that sharp work must soon come that the president himself, in a private conversation, throws aside the mask he has been wearing for the past weeks. He said to an intimate friend Friday that the situation is one of gravity, and that in his opinion the possibility of settling the controversy with Spain without war was "very remote."

He said he had had in his possession for nearly a week full information of the causes which led to the disaster at Havana, and that the circumstances are such as to render peaceful negotiations "exceedingly difficult." He admitted that the war and navy departments are engaged on work intended to anticipate the direst result, and this result he saw little hope of escaping.

The president informed this gentleman that he would send to congress within the next few days a message which will convey to the public the findings of the Sampson court of inquiry. The president told his visitor that the Maine was blown up by a submarine mine under such conditions as surrounded the disaster with all that promised the "gravest consequences." He also explained that careful plans had been mapped out, but they would be manifeatly improper subjects for discussion.

PROCTOR WILL SUPPORT WAR.

Senator Back from Cuba Is Not at All Pleased With What He Saw.

Senator Proctor and party have returned from Cuba. The senator says he has nothing to say just now, but intimate friends stated that the senator was in a frame of mind to indorse anything that promised to end the atrocities in Cuba.

In regard to war prospects he was non-committal, but did say he would support McKinley most heartily in going to the extreme. In speaking of the anti-American feeling in Havana he grew very indignant and said with heat:

"The day will come, and soon, too, I think, when those haughty dons will respect the stars and stripes."

Both Senator Proctor and Mr. Parker is quite stirred over the horrors they witnessed in Cuba. Mr. Parker thinks that Senator Proctor's report will have great weight in congress.

Spain Wants No War With Us.

The new Spanish minister, Senor Bernabe, in an interview with an Associated Press reporter, says:

"I am sure that the United States does not want war, just as I am sure that the Spanish government does not want war, and will do everything honorable in its power to avert such a calamity."

THREE NEW BATTLESHIPS

Authorized by the Naval Committee of the House.

Three new battleships, of the staunchest type afloat, were authorized by the house committee on naval affairs Friday, and a provision for their construction inserted in the appropriatior bill.

At the same time the committee agreed on a maximum price of $400 per ton for armor plate for our vessels, increased the force of naval marines by 473 men and put matters in fair shape for a decision on the location of dry docks, probably four in number, capable of accommodating the largest sized warships.

To the Rich Mining Districts of Mexico.

W. C. Bradbury & Co., of Denver, Col., in connection with the Nassau Construction Company, of New York City, have closed a contract for the construction of 125 miles of railroad from Chihuahua to Guerrero, Mex., at a cost of $2,500,000. The road will be built by a syndicate including Colonel Payne, Ex-Secretary of the Navy W. C. Whitney and Moore and Scully, of New York. The object is to reach the rich mining districts in the vicinity of Guerrero.

HARD FOR POOR MEN.

OLD SOLON CHASE OF MAINE TELLS WHY.

An Era of Cheapness Is Undermining Everything—Whoever Buys Property Gets Stuck—More Money and Enlarged Consumption the Solution.

'Tis a hard winter for poor men.

Under the effect of the "existing gold standard," restricted consumption has become so intensified that there are twice too many cotton mills to meet the present demands for consumption. The calico kings have paid their debts in rising money and sold their goods in a falling market until it is claimed their mills pay no dividends. The cut in wages comes at a time when there ought to be a rise in wages to meet the increased cost of living that comes from a bread famine abroad.

An era of cheapness is undermining the industries of the country. The producer has no confidence in his own product. The merchant buys only to supply present wants. Consumers are curtailing their purchases in every possible direction, and money lenders have hard work to find solvent borrowers. Productive property that employs labor was never so cheap, but whoever buys it gets stuck. Farms in New England can be bought for one-half of what would be considered a fair insurance value of the buildings, but whoever buys one of these cheap farms and makes two blades grow where there was but one before doesn't get 40 cents a day for his labor. The small manufacturing industries have ceased to pay dividends long ago. Now it is claimed that the millions invested in the cotton mills of New England are paying no dividends.

How a cut in wages will help the calico kings no mortal man can see. What good will it do to block the market with goods that cannot be sold at the cost of production with cut down wages. The most of the goods that now go into consumption come from bankrupt stocks.

The "existing gold standard" has brought the cotton mills of New England where under existing conditions it seems that restricted production is a necessity. The strikers who refuse to travel longer the road that leads to wooden shoes and barley bread are restricting production, while the manufacturers propose to continue production and diminish consumption by cutting down wages. It would seem that the strikers show more sense than the manufacturers. Why not shut down the cotton mills and let some of the goods on hand go into consumption with a fair profit to the merchant. The bankrupt stocks that now block the market work injury to the manufacturers, the wage workers, the merchants, and indirectly to the consumer. All our industries, the saw mills, the shoe shops, the woolen mills, the paper mills, the brick yards, the lime kilns, are resting on the same volcano that broke loose in the cotton mills.

The prosperity that was promised by opening the mills has not come. If we should open the mints what would be the effect? The existing single gold standard would vanish in a night as the ice goes out of a river. Silver would be primary money in competition with gold as it stood throughout the ages until 1873. There would be plenty of legal tender dollars of less purchasing power than the present equivalent of gold. When the law is repealed that has enhanced the value of gold the gold dollar won't buy so much calico as now. The appreciation of gold (which has been a wolf in sheep's clothing for a decade), would stop. The dollar of today would be as good as the dollar of tomorrow and may be a little mite better. Property would rise and business men who are now on the brink of bankruptcy would become solvent borrowers instead of the market blocked with bankrupt stocks; goods would go into consumption with a fair margin of profit to the producer. Productive property that is now shunned would be sought after. All our currency would go into circulation. There would be no profit in hoarding money, but there would be profit in spending money. Producers who are now paying their taxes from the savings of more prosperous times or from their capital would pay their taxes from their profits. The working man would buy two pair of overalls where he buys one pair now, and his wife would buy two calico gowns where she buys one now. Enlarged consumption is the solution of the problem that now confronts the cotton mills of New England as regards both operators and operatives.

SOLON CHASE.

The Reverse of the Picture.

What has become of those beautiful lithographs in which McKinley was unlocking the doors of the factories? Why not send some of them down to the good Republican states of Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire and Maine, where the starving workers have been shut out of the works because they refuse to live on ten per cent. less than starvation wages? It ought to make the workers feel good to see these pictures for which they gave their votes. It did not cost much for the Republicans to get the votes of their dupes. A few printing bills, a few hireling speakers, a few well paid editors, and the thing was done.

We suppose that the necessary corollary of the good Mr. Hanna's argument ("God reigns," etc.) is that if he had been defeated the Republican party would have been a cold, unpleasant corpse, and God would have resigned.—Stockton Mail.

NOT A GOLDBUG.

Abraham Lincoln Did not Favor the Gold Monopoly.

When the writer of this article came to Washington in the winter of 1864-'65 as senator from the new state of Nevada, he was received by President Lincoln in the most cordial manner. Mr. Lincoln said:

"I am glad to see you here, representing the new mining state of Nevada. I have watched with solicitude the development of the mines of gold and silver in the west during all the time we have been taxing the resources of the country to the last extremity to prosecute the war. The fact that when the output of gold appeared to be declining the great silver mines of Nevada were discovered seemed Providential. The people can hardly realize the great support which the mines of the west have already been to the credit of the United States, and I believe we may reasonably anticipate from the development which is taking place in that region that our mines will not only continue to furnish a basis of credit, but will greatly relieve the burdens of the people in paying off the national debt."

When we contrast the real views and sentiments of Mr. Lincoln with regard to the use of both gold and silver as money and his kindly efforts to assist in developing the gold and silver mines of the west we are shocked to read the orations delivered on his birthday. It is assumed that he was a friend of Wall and Lombard streets, and in favor of destroying silver money and reducing the world to the single gold standard under the false pretense of maintaining the credit of the country. It is painful to contrast the sentiments constantly expressed by the leaders of the Republican party and the gold press towards the mining regions of the west.

When Lincoln was president the miners of the west were treated with kindness and consideration in every part of the country. No one then denounced silver miners as robbers, attempting to get something for nothing; no one then said that they were "silver barons," attempting to swindle the government. The fact that the goldites have found it necessary to abuse and slander the pioneers of the west can only be accounted for by that element in human nature which leads men who have wronged their neighbors to speak ill of them to justify the wrong. The miners of the west need have no hope that the goldites of Wall and Lombard streets will forgive them for the injury done them. We must remember the Spanish proverb, which is as true now as it was when first uttered, that no man ever forgives another for the injuries he has inflicted upon him. William M. Stewart.

THE UNWELCOME TRUTH.

The press has, by some unrevealed means, obtained a private letter from Spanish Minister De Lome to a Spanish agent, in which he characterized the President as "weak and catering to the rabble, and, besides, a low politician—who desires to leave a door open to me and to stand well with the jingoes of his party." Senor De Lome has correctly outlined the President's character, excepting that instead of "catering to the rabble," he caters to the great monopolies and the money power. But the mistake was a natural one for the minister to make. De Lome is also quoted, in a book he wrote nearly twenty years ago, thus: "American laws and execution of them are ridiculous. They are made by incompetent tricksters and politicians and executed by their sycophants." De Lome knows a good deal more about American law and politics than we gave him credit for—a good deal more than the generality of "softies" who blow about American freedom and democracy. It is unfortunate for him, as a diplomat, that he knows how to tell unwelcome truths and does not know enough to refrain from writing letters containing the same, for he has been compelled to resign, which is quite proper, as his reflections upon the President are construed as an insult to the whole nation.—San Francisco Star.

An awful howl is being raised because Minister De Lome said McKinley is a low politician. Mr. De Lome, while hardly in a position to throw rocks, stated a vital, throbbing truth. McKinley, President of the United States, eating the bread and wearing the clothes of the people, is a tool of the money power, a traitor to the very people who made it possible for De Lome to "insult" him. These politicians have tender hides after they get in office and have millions of yaps willing and anxious to avenge their "insults"—which are only truths.—Coming Nation.

Senor De Lome, the Spanish Minister, has been called home in disgrace because he uttered his sentiments about our elective king. He said in a letter to a friend at home that McKinley was a low politician, a coarse fellow, and catered to the rabble. While there are millions of Americans who indorse the first part of the proposition, the latter part is false in the sense that it was used as meaning the popular will. McKinley serves not the popular will, but the will of the rich. He is the rich men's President and in no sense the President for the people. However, the incident, small as it is, may lead to far-reaching results. It is no simple matter to offend a king or speak lightly of him. By the way, this system of "foreign" ministers is one part of the play of kings and in no sense should ever be followed by a free people. And it never is.—Appeal to Reason.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR PROBATE JUDGE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Probate Judge of Shelby County, subject to the action of the primary election to be held on the 19th of March, 1898.

A. P. LONGSHORE.

FOR CIRCUIT CLERK.

The friends of John P. Pearson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on 19th of March, 1898.

The friends of R. T. Johnson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on the 19th of March, 1898.

We are authorized to announce John H. Leonard as a candidate for Clerk of the Circuit Court of Shelby county, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to held March 19th.

FOR COMMISSIONER.

The friends of W. N. Gilbert announce him as a candidate for commissioner from the Second District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to be held March 19th, 1898.

EDITOR ADVOCATE—Please announce Mr. D. C. Davis as a candidate for re-election to the office of Commissioner, from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the Populist and Republican parties, and oblige.

MANY FRIENDS.

The friends of John T. Glaze announce him as a candidate for Commissioner from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, on the 19th of March, 1898.

Mr. Editor.—Please announce W. C. Powers as a candidate for Commissioner from the second district, subject to the action of the Populist and Republican parties.

MANY FRIENDS.

Primary Postponed.

The People's Party county executive committee held a called meeting at the court house yesterday. Fourteen beats were represented. The primary election ordered for March 19th, was postponed to Saturday, April 23rd. The committee will meet again April 30th to count the vote and declare the result.

The daily papers still continue to talk war and preparations still go on. Troops, arms and ammunition are being distributed and everything put in readiness for any immergency. Atlanta has been made military headquarters for the department of the gulf, from which all movements of the army will be directed. This is all right and proper, and to some it may look like war, but the Advocate feels safe in saying there will be no war.

It is amusing to see how the democrats slobber over Hardy and his little squad of disgruntled office seekers. They speak of them as "the regular Republicans," when they know that only one of their crowd has voted a Republican tickit in years. They raked the county with a fine tooth comb and could only get 13 out of 1200 Republicans to meet them, and one of those was from Jefferson.

Tthe contest for the democratic nomination for Governor over in Georgia begins to wax warm. At this time, however, the "one eyed plowboy of Pigeon roost" seems to be the favorite with the great mass of people.

The Girl's Industrial School at Montevallo, will resume next Monday, the state health officer Dr. Sanders having given his opinion that all danger of smallpox is over.

Col. A. K. McClure, editor of the Philadelphia Times, will lecture in Montgomery on Friday, March 25th, on "Alabama and her resources."

WATSON OUT OF POLITICS.

Says He Will Henceforth Devote Himself to His Law Practice.

Macon, Ga., March 13.—(Special to the Constitution.)—Hon. Thomas Watson spent today in Macon and left tonight for Appling superior court, where he is to defend McEwin on the charge of murder. This will be the second trial. At the first trial the defendant was convicted, but was granted a new trial. Watson was not counsel at the former trial, and has just been employed.

In answer to The Constitution correspondent Mr. Watson said he does not expect to attend the populist convention on Wednesday and that he does not intend to be a candidate for governor and even if the nomination was tendered him he would not accept it. He declares that he is out of politics and can be numbered among the political dead. He says he has actively resumed the practice of law and intends to devote himself to his profession, except to give so much of his time as is necessary to the writing of his history of France, for which he is under written contract with the McMillan Publishing Company, of New York.

Mr. Watson says even if he had any inclination to run for governor, which he has not, his contract with the McMillan Publishing Company would prevent. He declares he has philosophized over politics and has determined to leave the political field. He does so with a contented mind and with peace and good will for all men. He has no sour spirits or heart burning. He faces his future confidently and hopes it has in store for him and his family happiness and prosperity. He says that either Hines, Wright, Peek or Carter would make a good gubernatorial candidate for the populist party. Mr. Watson stopped at the Brown house during his stay in this city, where a number of acquaintances called on him. This afternoon he visited Mercer university, which institution he attended for a while, but had to leave at the end of the sophomore year because of the lack of money to defray his expenses through college.

FITZGERALD WRITES McKINLEY.

Bishop of Methodsit Church Tells the President People Are United.

Nashville, Tenn., March 13.—The following letter sent to President McKinley will be published tomorrow in The American:

"Nashville, Tenn., March 12, 1898.—His Excellency, President McKinley: Your approval of the bill for the relief of the Southern Methodist Publishing House happily consummates a measure in which millions of your fellow countryman felt a profound interest. Whether viewed from the standpoint of patriotism or of equitable dealing, it is an opportune transaction. We are a united people; in peace or war we will stand together. God grant that it may be peace—Peace, with honor, justice and mercy.

"As one of the bishops of the Methodist church, south, I am sure that I voice in this note what is felt by all. I am, with great respect, your fellow citizen,

WM. FITZGERALD."

Hon. W. J. Bryan passed through Columbiana again Tuesday on his way to Mississippi. He has spent the last week in Georgia, speaking to large crowds at Rome, Macon, Athens, Atlanta and other places. If the reports from Georgia be true he has made many converts from the gold standard to bi-metalism in that State. Indeed he makes converts wherever he goes. In many respects he is a wonderful man. As an orator he has but few, if any equals, and his wonderful constitution enables him to speak four or five hours a day in the open air without any bad effect. He is emphatically a man of the people, and many think that he will yet redeem the defeat of 1896.

The Southern Alliance, published at Ashville, has about a column of announcements for county offices in St. Clair, subject to the action of the Populist primary on the 31st of March. The candidates are making a regular canvass of the county, having appointments to speak in every beat in the county.

Consul General Lee.

The President has been criticised by a few for his distinct declaration that he would not recall General Lee upon the demand of the Spanish Government, criticised on the ground that it is not an act of comity to keep a representative abroad in the face of the knowledge that his presence is disagreeable to those to whom he is accredited and with whom he has to deal. But the recall of a minister or consul upon the demand of the country to which accredited is an acknowledgement by the home government that such minister or consul was at fault, that his course meets with disapproval and condemnation by the home government, and, believing that General Lee has conducted himself with propriety, the President could not recall him. To recall him would be a public condemnation of one the President declares deserving of all praise. General Lee's course meeting with the approval, not condemnation of the President, his recall would be much out of place.

It is true that he may be persona non grata to the Havana authorities. But if he is it is for doing what the President would have him do, if he is persona non grata it is because the President would him self be persona non grata in Havana, because any one would be whom the President could send and who would truly represent the President. In short, it is not the man but what he represents that makes General Lee persona non grata in Havana, and as he represents the President and truly represents his country the President cannot recall him. If the Havana authorities want to get rid of him they are at liberty to give him his exequatur and to send him home, but to send him home would be a slap in the face of the President, to the people of the United States, a distinct notice that Havana did not want to hear from the President or negotiate with the United States on any subject, and that if the United States had anything to say to Havana it might say it at the cannon's mouth.—The American.

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PROGRAM OF SIXTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

Of the Alabama State Sunday School Association, Birmingham, Alabama, April 19-21, 1898.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

1:30 p. m.—Meeting of the State Executive Committee.

2:30 p. m.—Conference of County Officers.

1. Duties of President.
2. Duties of Secretary.
3. Duties of Treasurer.
4. Duties of Executive Committee.

TUESDAY NIGHT.

7:15 p. m.—Devotional Exercises, 30 minutes.

7:30 p. m.—Welcome, 15 minutes.

7:45 p. m.—Response, 15 minutes Address by International Worker.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

6:00 a. m.—Sunrise Consecration Services.

9:00 a. m.—Devotional Exercises, 30 minutes.

Our State Association.

1. The President's Address.
2. The Year's Work.
3. The Field Worker's Report.
4. Our Statistics.
5. Financial Report.
6. Our Home Department Work.
7. Primary Superintendent's Report.
8. Our State Paper.
9. Reports from Counties, written, limited, 5 minutes each.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

2:30 p. m.—Devotional Exercises, 30 minutes.

2:45 p. m.—Reports from Counties, written, limited 5 minutes.

3:15 p. m.—House-to-House Canvass, 30 minutes.

General Discussion.

4:15 p. m.—The Home Department, 30 minutes.

General Discussion.

Primary Class Taught.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

7:15 p. m.—Song Service, 30 minutes.

7:45 p. m.—Mission of the Gospel, 30 minutes.

8:15 p. m.—Looking Forward, 30 minutes.

THURSDAY MORNING.

6:00 a. m.—Sunrise Prayer Meeting.

9:00 a. m.—Devotional Hour, 30 minutes.

9:30 a. m.—Thorough County Organization, 30 minutes.

General Discussion.

10:30 a. m.—Statistics—Why? 20 minutes.

11:00 a. m.—The Superintendant and His Work, 30 minutes.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

2:30 p. m.—Devotional Hour, 20 minutes.

2:50 p. m.—The Teachers' Opportunity, 20 minutes.

3:10 p. m.—The Teachers' Preparation, 20 minutes.

3:30 p. m.—The Teachers' Reward, 20 minutes.

3:50 p. m.—How to Conduct a Teachers' Meeting.

General discussion.

THURSDAY NIGHT.

7:25 p. m.—Song Service.

Address—The Bible Our Inspired Text Book, 30 minutes.

Address—The Great End of Sunday School Work, 30 minutes.

The Primrry Teachers will hold a separate conference both afternoons. This program will be published in the next issue.

These various subjects are to be discussed by the most prominent Sunday School workers of the State, assisted by some of the best talent of the United States, as representatives of the International Sunday School work.

Every School should commence now to make their arrangements to be represented.

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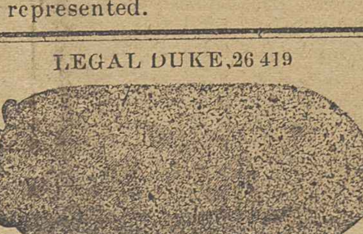

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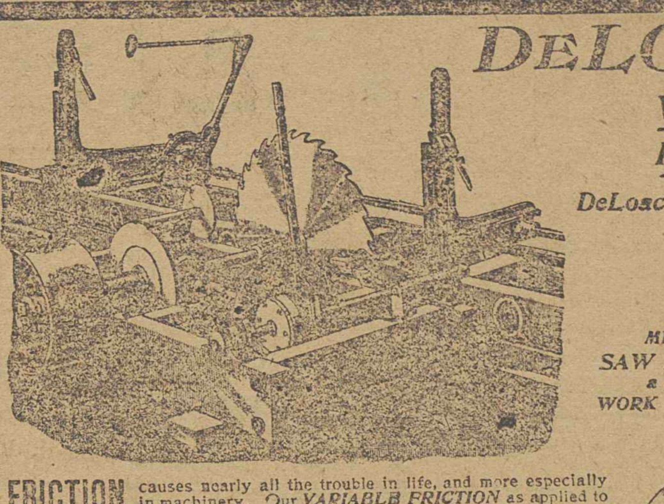

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Remember the date, APRIL 4th and 5th, and wait for Hawkes.

TO CONSUMPTIVES.

The undersigned having been restored to health by simple means, after suffering for several years with a severe lung affection, and that dread disease CONSUMPTION, is anxious ot make known to his fellow sufferers the means of cure. To those who desire it, he will cheerfully send (free of charge) a copy of the prescription used which they will find a sure cure for CONSUMPTION, ASTHMA, CATARRH, BRONCHITIS, and all throat and lung MALADIES. He hopes all sufferers will try his remedy, as it is valuable. Those desiring the prescription, wich will cost them nothing, and may prove a blessing, will please address.

REV. EDWARD A. WILSON,
dec 17-96-1y. Brooklyn, New York

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of one Fi. Fa. issued from the Circuit Court of Shelby County, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell in front of the Court House, in the town of Columbiana, on the 23rd day of March, 1898, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

One bay horse, name Charley; one, one-horse wagon and harness; Fifty bushels of corn, more or less; 880 pounds fodder, more or less; 15 bushels of cotton seed; one grindstone.

Levied upon as the property of T. C. May, to satisfy said Fi. Fa. in my hands in favor of V. A. Davidson.

This 9th day of March, 1898.

E. F. VEST, Sheriff.

If you owe the Advocate anything, please come forward and settle at once.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Condensed schedule in effect January 16, 1898.

No. *23	STATIONS.	No. *18
3.55pm	lv...Selma...ar	11 23am
5.11pm	..Montevallo..	9.25am
7.55pm	ar..Brm'ham..lv	6.55am

No. *26	No. *38	STATIONS.	No. *35	No. *27
4.20am	5.45am	lv ..Akron.. ar	6.46pm	6.45pm
5.55am	6.41am	..Greensboro..	5.35pm	5.37pm
7.25am	7.49am	...Marion...	3.39pm	4.20pm
8.30am	8.30am	..Marion Jct..	2.35pm	3.40pm
9.50am	9.50am	ar...Selma...lv	1.30pm	3.00pm

No. *20	No. *16	STATIONS.	No. *15	No. *19
	7.25pm	lv..New O'l's..ar	8.30am	
	5.39am	lv..Meridian..ar	9.50pm	
	6.25am	...York...	8.00pm	
	7.32am	..Demopolis..	7.45pm	
	8.13am	ar..Uniont'n..lv	7.04pm	
	8.46am	..Marion Jct..	6.11pm	
	9.25am	ar Selma lv	5.43pm	
3.25pm	9.53am	lv Selma ar	5.35pm	11.28am
5.11pm	11.22am	..Montevallo..	3.35pm	9.25am
	11.40am	...Calera...	3.27pm	
	12.01pm	..Columbiana..	3.03pm	
	12.22pm	..Childersburg..	2.37pm	
	1.25pm	..Talladega..	2.03pm	
	2.08pm	...Oxford...	1.25pm	
	2.15pm	..Anniston..	1.09pm	
	2.40pm	..Jacksonville..	12.30pm	
	3.06pm	..Piedmont..	12.15pm	
	3.57pm	..Cave Springs..	11.24am	
	4.35pm	...Rome...	10.45am	
	10.40pm	ar..Atlanta..lv	7.50am	

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am	am	pm		am	pm	pm
	6.00	4.15	lv ..Birm'ham.. ar	11.45	10.00	
	7.12	5.23	..Pell City..	10.25	8.45	
	8.19	6.30	..Anniston..	9.15	7.42	
	8.19	6.56	..Oxford..	9.07	7.42	
	8.55	7.22	..Heflin..	8.36	7.01	
	9.05	7.42	..Edwardsville..	8.19	6.59	
	9.17	7.53	..Fruithurst..	8.09	6.46	
5.55	9.30	8.15	..Tallapoosa..	7.47	6.23	7.54
6.13	9.46	8.35	..Bremen..	7.27	6.05	7.32
7.23	10.30	9.24	..Douglasville..	6.40	5.15	6.29
7.35	10.40	9.35	..Lithia Springs..	6.30	5.05	6.15
8.25	11.30	10.30	ar ..Atlanta.. lv	5.40	4.15	5.15
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STATIONS.	No. *12	No. *16
Lv Rome		4.50pm
Lv Knoxville	4.25am	9.50pm
Ar Morristown	5.39am	10.56pm
Ar Hot Springs	11.45am	12.23am
Ar Asheville	1.50pm	1.30am
Ar Salisbury	6.43pm	6.50am
Ar Greensboro	9.52pm	8.52am
Ar Raleigh	7.10am	11.45am
Ar Norfolk		5.25pm
Ar Washington	6.42am	9.25pm
Ar New York	12.45pm	6.23am

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Announcement.

Candidates wishing Republican suppoat will do well to make it known through the columns of the Alabama Time Piece, Aldrich, Alabama, the only Republican organ of Shelby.

Non-Resident Notice.

State of Alabama, Shelby County. } Probate Court. Special Term, Jan 17th, 1898.

This day came Mary T. Taylor and her husband J. N. Taylor, and filed in this court their application in writing, alleging that they and John Jones, Mariah Searight and Emeline Sanders are the joint owners of certain real property described in their said petition, and that said property can not be equitably partitioned or divided without a sale thereof, and asking for an order to sell same. The 21st day of February, 1898, was appointed a day for the hearing of said petition; and, as it appears that the said John Jones, Mariah Searight and Emeline Sanders reside without this State, in the State of Texas, their postoffice being unknown. It is, therefore, ordered that notice of said petition, and of the time and place set for hearing the same, be given by publication for three successive weeks in the People's Advocate, a newspaper published in Columbiana in said county.

D. R. McMILLAN,
jan. 20-3. Judge of Probate.

Probate Notice.

State of Alabama, Shelby County. } Probate Court.

Estate of William Booth, deceased. Letters of Administration on the Estate of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 18th day of October 1897, by the Hon. D. R. McMillan, Judge of the Probate Court of Shelby County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate, are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law, or the same will be barred.

E. F. VEST,
Administrator.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of one Fi Fa, issued from the Chancery Court of Shelby county, Sixth District north-eastern chancery division, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell in front of the court house in the town of Columbiana, Ala., on the 21st day of March, 1898, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

The east half of the northeast quarter, section 34, township 21, range 3 west, A so one dwelling house and lot in the town of Montevallo, said house is now occupied by H. R. Wells, formerly known as the Tom Wells house; bounded on the south by the Sam Allen lot, fronting street running from foot bridge to Southern Railroad. All in Shelby County, Ala.

Levied upon as the property of H. R. Wells, to satisfy said Fi Fa in my hands in favor of the American Mortgage Company of Scotland, Limited.

This 14th day of February, 1898.

E. F. VEST Sheriff.

APPLICATION TO SELL LAND

STATE OF ALABAMA, SHELBY COUNTY. } PROBATE COURT SHELBY COUNTY ALA.

Under and by virtue of an order and decree of the Honorable D. R. McMillan, Judge of Probate for Shelby county, Ala., I, as administrator of the estate of William Booth, deceased, will sell at public out cry, to the highest bidder for cash, at Montevallo, Ala., on Wednesday, the 16th day of March, 1898, during the legal hours of sale, for the purpose of distribution among the heirs of said place, all the following described real estate belonging to the estate of William Booth deceased, viz: The northeast quarter of the southeast quarter, and part of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section 20, township 21, range 4 west, containing 74 acres more or less, and situated in Shelby county, Ala.

This the 22d day of February, 1898.

E. F. VEST

Administrator of the Estate of William Booth Deceased.

THE-:-PEOPLE'S-:-ADVOCATE

SOCIAL AND LOCAL NEWS.

Points About People You Know and Some You Don't Know. News From Different Beats.

Spring time has come gentle Annie.

Henry Milner spent Tuesday in Calera.

J. T. Forter spent Monday in Birmingham.

E. W. Chapman spent yesterday in Birmingham.

J. W. Stone, of Cordova, was in the city Tusday.

The spring term of circuit court convenes next Monday.

Miss Lucy Leeper returned to Montevallo last Monday.

Capt. R. M. Deshazo, of Bridgeton, was in the city Tuesday.

Miss Alice Anchors is visiting relatives at Helena this week.

Charlie Finley, of Birmingham, is visiting relatives in the city.

J. H. Hammond, the grocer, made a business trip to Sterrett last week.

Arther Lewis, of Louisiana, is visiting relatives near Wilsonville.

T. F. and John Ferrell spent Sunday with home folks on Yellow Leaf.

Miss Ruby Looney visited relatives at Fayetteville Saturday and Sunday.

Dr. Smothers and Walter Lester, of Yellow Leaf, were in the city Tuesday.

Miss Rosa Gilbert, of Coalville, was the guest of Miss Ida O'Hara Saturday.

J. W. Johnston spent several days in Birmingham this week on business.

Chancery court convenes here today and will continue in session three days.

Prof. Will Bird, of Coosa county, spent Saturday with relatives in the city.

H. C. DuBose and C. E. Greek spent apart of Sunday with friends at Vincent.

Mrs. J. A. Fulton, of Helena, visited relatives in the city several days this week.

Miss Leila Parker, of Calera, visited relatives in the city Saturday and Sunday.

Messrs. I. D. Mason, W. P. Thomas and P. G. Trent are on the sick list this week.

J. R. Beavers, Esq., was in Birmingham Friday and Saturday on professional business.

A. P. Longshore, Esq., spent several days this week at Edwardsville on professional business.

Triple Crown, Linden Layer raisins and best Currants at 7 cents per pound, at J. H. Hammond.

Another squad of our citizens were taken before the United States court at Birmingham last week.

Rev. J. E. Bird, principal of the Camp Branch school, is quite sick at his fathers' residence in this city.

C. R. Townsend, of the Tuscaloosa Monument company, spent Monday and Tudsday in the city.

J. S. Falkner, our genial assistant postmaster, returned Tuesday from a pleasant visit to South Alabama.

Miss Ida O'Hara, who has been teaching a school at K. Spring, closed her school last Friday and returned to her home in this city.

Fruit trees are in bloom and vegetation of every description growing rapidly. The farmers are hustling to get their corn planted.

A ministers' institute for the Coosa River and Central Associations will be held at Sylacauga, beginning March 27, and closing April 2.

Sunday Rev. S. N. Burns, pastor of the Methodist church, preached to the children at 11 a. m. There was no service in the evening on account of the rain.

Read the advertisement of Mrs. S. P. Davis in another column. Jurors and others attending court will find her house a convenient and pleasant place to stop at.

It is a matter of regret that Rev. T. K. Roberts has not rebaired his strength, says The Advocate. Mr. Roberts is remembered by many in this city as the faithful, consecrated, untiring pastor of Dexter Avenue Church, and many prayers are offered for him here.—Advertiser.

R. W. Cobb, Esq., of Woodlawn, is in the city.

J. P. Pearson, of Bridgeton, was in the city yesterday.

C. L. Meroney, of Montevallo, was in the city yesterday.

J. B. Randall, G. B. Deans, J. S. Pilgreen and Irwin Bailey, of Calera, were in the city yesterday.

Robert McEwin and George Nivens, of Wilsonville, attended the committee meeting here yesterday.

We have a new banker in town. Arrived at the residence of Gordon DuBose last Tuesday. Mother doing well, likewise the boy.

Messrs. J. H. Page & Son have a double column "ad" in this issue, to which we invite the attention of our readers. Read their price list and when you come to court call and examine their goods.

From now until Circuit Court closes I will give a teaspoon with every 50 cents worth of green coffee sold, and a table spoon with every dollars worth sold. This is for cash over the counter.

J. H. Hammond.

Died, At the residence of her husband on Waxahatchie, on Saturday last, of consumption, Mrs. Mary Steele, wife of Henry Steele. She was buried in the cemetery at this place last Sunday. Rev. S. N. Burns conducted the funeral service.

Some of our correspondents intimate that our farmers are preparing to plant another big crop of cotton. We incline to the opinion that while a few may plant a big crop, the majority of the farmers will cut down their cotton acreage and plant largely of feed crops. Cotton is, and will continue to be, the money crop of this section, and the true policy is to raise everything to eat at home and let cotton be the surplus or money crop.

Rev. S. S. Crumpton, of Lewis, has a card in this issue of the Advocate which explains itself. Mr. Crumpton is one of the solid men of Shelby and no one who knows the man, had any doubts about his declining the nomination tendered him by the bolters. He has a host of friends in Shelby among the reformers who would be pleased to support him for any office to which he might aspire. He is a reformer from principle and not for revenue. Hence his refusal to aid, counsel or abet, the movement inaugurated by a few disappointed office seekers, to break down the reform movement in Shelby.

Coming.

A. K. Hawkes, the famous Atlanta Optician, direct from home office or one of his practical Opticians will remain at the store of his agent, Lester, Mason & Co., for two days only, beginning April 4. This will give the citizens of Columbiana and vicinity a rare opportunity of having their eye sight tested free by one of the most renowned and successful as well as reliable opticians in the United States. Mr. Hawkes has the modern appliance for the scientific adjustment of spectacles to the eye There is no optician in the United States who enjoys the confidence of the people more than Mr. Hawkes. This firm was established in 1870, nearly thirty years ago. Call early as he positively remains but two days. Caution: These famous glasses are never peddled.

Respectfully Declines.

Lewis, Ala., March 14.—Editor Advocate.—Please allow me space in your paper to say to the good citizens of Shelby county that I cannot accept the nomination for the office of County Superintendent of Education by the Hardy and Vandiver wing of the Republican party. But if Supt. Eugene Williams remains the nominee, and he is endorsed by the People's Party, I shall give him my support in the coming election.

Respectfully,
S. S. Crumpton.

Here We Go to the Quilting.

I will give away one 10 pound caddy of tobacco, either Red Apple or Schnapps, also 20 pounds of Arbuckles Roasted coffee. Come in and see about it.

J. H. Hammond.

Money to Loan.

Gordon DuBose desires to loan money on improved farms and improved town property at low rates, and on long time. Also wishes to buy guilt edge commercial paper.

At Rest.

Died, near Columbiana, Ala., March 10, 1898, Minnie Burnham, daughter of R. G. and U. J. Burnham, aged 5 years, 5 months and 17 days.

Though but a child, she bore her sufferings with true fortitude, through a period of ten weeks, to at last be summoned to her eternal home beyond the skies.

Just before dying she took her mothers hand and lovingly said, "you have set by my bed so long," and asked that her toys be put in with her at her burial, then after, peacefully closed her eyes in death.

To her parents she was ever perfectly obedient, doing their every wish. To her playmates she was always loving, tender and kind, making it their dearest delight to be with "sweet little Minnie."

During her brief stay in this world, by her sweet and lovely disposition and winning ways, she won the love of all who knew her: and surely her companions can never forget the gentle influence she shed around their lives.

Though in the home circle her presence will ever be missed, yet what parents would wish to call back one so fair from the mansions of the redeemed to this cold world with its scenes of sorrow, suffering, heartache and disappointments?

To her sorrowing parents and loved ones we would say, look upward, for she is now where her Savior dwells singing anthems of praise to the "God of all love," but rather say that.

Our little girl has gone to rest,
To reign with God forever blest;
Her little tongue will always praise
A Savior's love, redeeming grace.

Far from a world of sin and strife,
She now enjoys a heavenly life;
And joins to praise and shout and sing,
And make the heavenly arches ring.

Could we but hear her little tongue
So sweetly sing the heavenly song;
Could we but see her smiling face,
Delighted with the happy place;

We could not wish her back again,
But say, dear child, with God remain;
We'll try to gain that peaceful shore,
Where those who meet shall part no more.

Now let us strive the prize to gain;
Let's come to Christ, with Him remain;
Then we shall share in Jesus' love,
And meet our little girl above.

Her Uncle.

Obituary.

Died, At her fathers' residence, Miss Ida Farr, the daughter of Mr. W. H. Farr. Ida was born March 2nd 1882, and on the 9th of March 1898, as the golden sun was rising in the eastern barizon, the Angels of Heaven came and took her home.

Ida was beautiful in person, intelligent, accomplished, energetic and prudent, and a warm-hearted christian. She called for some of her immediate friends who were near and dear to her. We presume from the way she spoke she wanted to talk with them about their souls salvation.

She died perfectly happy, the last words she uttered was that God had answered her prayers.

In view of the loss we have sustained by the decease of our friend and associate (Ida), and of the still heavier loss sustained by those who were nearest and dearest to her, that it is only a just tribute to the memory of the departed to say that in regretting her removal from our midst, we mourn for one who was in every way worthy of our respect and regard. And we sincerely condole with the family of the deceased on the dispensation with which it has pleased divine providence to afflict them, and commend them for consolation to Him who orders all things for the best, and whose chastisement are meant in mercy.

Her remains were laid to rest in the cemetery at Fourmile.

Her Friend.

Obituary.

Wilson Blackmon was born October 14th 1872, and died March 6th 1898, at his fathers' home J. M. Blackmon, near Columbiana. He was a good, obedient son, and a kind affectionate brother, and had many friends as far as he was known. But alas, he is gone; he has paid the debt that we all owe. For dust thou art, and to dust thou shall return.

Then I will say to the bereaved ones, not to grieve after Wilson, as one who had no hope; for he left good evidence that he believed in Jesus, and had part in the first Resurrection, for on such the second death hath no power. Then let us say, sleep on Wilson; sleep on till the morning of the Resurrection. When this mortal shall put on immortality, and all the blood washed throng will say: "Oh death where is thy sting, oh grave where is thy victory. The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law, but thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

A Friend.

Vincent.

Miss Maude Blair, of Sedan, who has been visiting her brother Ottis, at the McGraw House, was called home Thursday to the sorrow of the young people.

Miss Lillie Davis, we learn, is on the sick list. We hope to see her bright face on the streets again soon.

G. C. Pitts and Ottis Blair went over to Childersburg last evening. Some social feature was the attraction, from the way they were "duded up."

Mrs. Neil Adams is still quite sick. We hope she will soon recover.

Rev. R. A. Kidd preached two splendid sermons Sunday, and had good congregations for such bad weather.

The young people had a very pleasant evening at Mrs. Jno. M. Kidds last week. The school girls looked awfully sick because they couldn't go, but girls, Prof. knows best. "There'll come a time some day" for you all to attend parties.

HONOR ROLL.

Six Grade—Edgar Kidd.

Fifth Grade—Zada Davis, Annie O. Kidd, Opal Kidd.

Fourth Grade—Bettie Sims, Laura Elliott, Vesta Carter, Ottis Evans, Nannie Davis, Ethel Bilbrey, Reed Todd, James Jones, Annie Williams, May Chandler, Lillie Raley.

Third Grade—Ollie Williams, Mary Anna McGraw, Hattie Davis.

Second Grade—Ed. Todd, Powell Donnell, Walter Elliott, Ben Samuel Ludie Williams.

Center Point Dots.

The health of our community is very good at present.

We are having some fine weather for farming now, and we also had a nice rain last Sunday, and every farmer seemed to be very pround of it, as some of the farm lands were getting very hard to plow. Now since it has rained we think every one can move off nicely with their work. The majority of the farmers in this community are badly behind, and must get a move on them to catch up in time to plant.

We learn that Mrs. W. T. Arnett, of Shelby, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Jane Seale, this week.

Miss Lillie Merrell, of Waxahatchie, spent Saturday night with relatives here, and Sunday she was the guests of Misses Roxie and Ada Curlee.

Prof. E. R. Newman and O. K. Curlee went to Columbiana Monday on business.

Miss Roxie Curlee spent apart of last week with friends at Shelby.

The social entertainment given to the young people by Mrs. M. E. Curlee last Wednesday night, was appreciated by all who attended.

Mrs. M. J. Partridge is still very sick.

Alvis Lovett, we learn, is very sick. We hope he may soon be well again.

Isaac Wood, of Columbiana, visited the family of Mrs. Jane Seale last Saturday.

Snider.

Spring Creek.

Health of this community good, except a few cases of la grippe.

Our farmers have been quite busy during the pretty weather of last week, preparing their lands for planting.

At this writing we are having a little rain, which is very acceptable to us.

Mr. Robert O. passed through Shelby a few days ago on a dear hunt, I presume. How about it Mr. O.?

Mr. Evins, who bought the A. J. Lovett place on Spring Creek, is pushing his work to redeem the old homestead, in a manner that characterizes a hustler and home industry.

Bro. Jefferson filled his appointment at Bethlehem Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Cabiness has an appointment to preach at Bethlehem on the third Sunday of this month.

We learn that one of the steam shovels at Shelby Iron Works burned down on last Friday night.

Some of our neighbor farmers are talking of reducing the acreage of their cotton crop, owing to the war.

X.

Lewis Blows.

Health better than has been for several weeks.

Mrs. M. C. Powell, we think, is improving, but slowly.

Miss Alma Jackson is now convalescent, we are glad to state.

Hon. E. S. Kytle was a welcome visitor here Monday night.

Dr. Smothers, who has been on a visit to home folks in Lamar county, we learn, has returned, much to the delight of the Yellow Leaf girls.

John Powell visited friends at Vincent Sunday, and reports a lovely visit.

J. W. Russell, of Clay county, was transacting business in our neighborhood a few days last week.

S. B. Strickland went to Columbiana Saturday on business.

The candy braking at Walter Blackerby's Saturday night, was a grand success.

Messrs. B. B. Crumpton and Charlie Albright passed through here Sunday.

Rev. Francis will preach at Blue Spring on the third Sunday, at 3 p. m.

W. E. and G. O. Powell went to Columbiana Tuesday on business.

E. B. Teague, Jr., of South Fourmile, was in our parts Monday, warning hands to work the road.

S. B. Bradley rolled logs Tuesday.

Died.—At her fathers' residence, on the 9th inst., Miss Ida, the daughter of Mr. W. H. Farr, after a lingering illness of five weeks. She was an affectionate young lady and was loved by all who knew her. She was a faithful member of the Methodist church, and one whom her father praised and expected for her to make a useful woman, but death came and claimed its victim, and she was prepared to meet death and was willing to go at God's request. But do not weep dear relatives, for she has gone to Heaven where God will take care of her, and she will be happy forever and forever. We cannot call her back, but we can meet her in the bright Eternity, where there is no more parting, but all is happiness, peace and love. So let us not weep for her, for all things work together for good for those that love the Lord. She was 16 years and 7 days old. She leaves a father, two sisters and many relatives and friends to mourt her death.

Sager.

Fourmile.

J. S. Spearman, who has been very ill for the past week, we are glad to state, is up again.

The farmers of this section are preparing to raise a large crop of five cent cotton, the largest in several years.

The entertainment at Walter Blackerby's Saturday night was greatly enjoyed by all who attended.

Messrs. J. W. and C. W. Spearman and B. Crumpton attended an entertainment on Yellow Leaf Saturday night. They reported a lovely time.

Miss Alma Stinson, of Bessemer, visited relatives here Sunday.

There was no preaching at Fourmile church Sunday.

Calvin Archer, of Bessemer, was in our community a short while Sunday evening.

John Brasher, who has been attending the Center school, returned to his home near Vandiver Saturday.

The young people of this community will give a grand old picnic at Fourmile, Saturday May 7th. Everybody has a cordial invitation to come and participate.

We are sorry to state that our genial friend J. W. Powell, has strickland fever. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Died, At her home in this community on the 9th of March, Miss Ida Farr, daughter of W. H. Farr, aged 17. She leaves a father, two sisters and one brother and a multitude of relatives and friends to mourn her death. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved family.

Edge.

No cure—No pay.

That is the way all druggists sell Grove's tasteless chill tonic for malaria, chill and fever. It is simply Iron and quinine in a tasteless form. Children love it. Adults prefer it to bitter, nauseating tonics. Price, 50c. For sale by

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Seems to be Almost a Certainty.

UP AND AT EM. DOD DROT EM. LET'S WIPE THE INSOLENT CURS OFF THE EARTH.

But for the fact that we have so many bargains to offer that our store will be crowded and jammed for the next 30 days, we would be ready to join a company and leave for Cuba at once. This is no fairy tale. Run your eyes over the following prices. It will do your soul good, and make you feel ten years younger. Remember for 30 days only these extraordinary prices hold good.

PRICE LIST.

Men's fur hats, worth $1.00, at	$ 65	Men's white dress shirts, worth 75, at	50
Men's fur hats, worth 1.25, at	95	Men's white dress shirts, worth 1.00, at	75
Men's fur hats, worth 2.00, at	1.25	Men's fancy bosom shirts, worth 1.00, at	85
Men's fur hats, Diamond Brand, worth $2.75, at	2.00	Men's all wool underwear suits, worth $2.50, at	1.50
Men's fur hats, Diamond Brand, worth $3.50, at	2.50	Men's all wool underwear suits, worth $3.50, at	2.00
Men's fur hats, worth 50, at	35		
Men's fur hats, worth 75, at	55		

DRY GOODS.

Cashmere dress goods, worth 35 cents per yard, at	20
Henrietta dress goods, worth 35 cents per yard, at	20
Brilliantine dress goods, worth 65 cents per yard, at	45
Mohair dress goods, worth 65 cents per yard, at	45
Dundee Percale, worth 12½ cents per yard, at	9
Dress Ginghams, worth 8 cents per yard, at	5½
Good soft finish bleaching, at	4 cents per yard.
Fruit of the Loom bleaching, at	8½ cents per yard.
Heavy shirting domestic, at	4½ cents per yard.
902 wool doeskin Jeans, at	25 cents per yard.
School boy Jeans, at	15 cents per yard.
Good heavy cotton Jeans, at	10 cents per yard.
10 by 4 Pepperell sheeting, bleached and unbleached, at	18¾ cts per pard.
Ladies' corsets, worth 75 cents, at	50c.
Ladies' corsets, worth 60 cents, at	40c.
Men's heavy overshirts, worth 50 cents, at	35 cents.
Men's heavy overshirts, worth 75 cents, at	50 cents.

All other Dry Goods and Notions will be closed out at very low prices.

In addition to the above we shall offer magnificent bargains in SHOES.

When we say bargains, we mean all that the word implies.

Don't fail to drop in and see our splendid line. If the crowd is too dense in front come around to the back door, and we will try to pull you in somehow.

Full line of GROCERIES as cheap as the cheapest.

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Here also you can buy the Standard Sewing Machine, which is one of the best on the market. Also New Home, Singer and Davis machine needles.

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TO OUR FRIENDS.

Having bought out J. E. Seale & Co., in the drug business, we take this method of informing our friends that we propose to continue the business at the old stand.

All accounts due J. E. Seale & Co., will be paid to us, and all claims against said firm will be presented to us for payment.

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Columbiana, Ala.

Tea Names Have Meaning.

"Pekoe," in the Canton dialect, means "white hair," and for this kind of tea the very youngest leaves of all are gathered, so young that the white down of babyhood is still upon them—whence their name. "Congo" means "labor;" considerable trouble and pains are taken in its preparation at Amoy, and these are perpetuated in its name. "Bohea" is named after a range of hills in Fo-Kien; "Souchong" expresses no sentiment, but a bold fact, being Canton-ese for "the small kind;" "Hyson" signifies "flourishing spring."

More Carelessness.

Excited Wife—Oh, professor, the cook has fallen and broken her collar-bone!

Professor—Discharge her at once! You told her what to expect if she broke anything more.—Detroit Free Press.

As a rule, women look their happiest when they are either just going to get a husband, or have recently lost one.

Every woman knows some man who would be immensely rich instead of poor, if "he had his wife's energy."

The Happy Man.

It is said, to console a man who he loses his money, that he is now in position to find out who are his friends. That is no consolation; a man is happiest when he doesn't have to know who his friends are.—Atchison (Kan.) Globe.

It is not difficult for a man to be a woman's ideal if he lives in another State.

There are usually a few flies on the honeyed phrases of lovers.

The most pitiful objects in this world are girls who act like men and men who act like girls.

The horseless carriage is a novelty, but the cowless milk wagon is a chestnut.

Prayer and Profanity

are all right in their proper places, but if you have Tetter or Eczema, or Salt-Rheum, or Ringworm, better save your breath and buy "Tetterine." 50 cents a box at drug stores, or by mail from J. T. Shuptrine, Savannah, Ga.

B. B. B. Has Stood the Test.

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The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address

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To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

Oran, in Algeria, has a port health officer still in active service at the age of 125 years. His name is Tremouillet. He was born in 1771, was captured by Oran pirates in 1789, and has never left the town since.

Havana is almost due south of Columbus, Ohio.

During 1897 Mexico exported $42,000,000 worth of minerals.

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After six years' suffering, I was cured by Piso's Cure.—MARY THOMSON, 29 1-2 Ohio Ave., Allegheny, Pa., March 19, '94.

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CONSUMPTION

FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

The Senate—Monday.

Today's session of the senate was devoted entirely to the discussion of the District of Columbia appropriation bill. At the hour of adjournment the bill had not been disposed of, and its discussion will be continued tomorrow. The bill, as it passed the house, carried $5,606,647. By the senate committee the appropriations were increased $1,469,650, making the total amount of the bill as reported to the senate $7,076,297.

The House.

The spirit of patriotism was rampant in the house today, and by an almost unanimous vote the Hawley bill providing for two additional regiments of artillery was passed under a suspension of the rules. The great chorus of ayes was offset by three voices on the minority side, Messrs. Cox (dem., Tenn), Jones (dem., Va.), and Todd (fusionist, Mich.). No effort was made to obstruct action, but Mr. Bailey, the democratic leader, pleaded for more time than the forty minutes allowed under the rules, and, because it was refused, after the bill had been passed he inaugurated a filibuster against District of Columbia legislation that continued all day. Mr. Bailey desired to speak in favor of the bill, but could get no time. Every reference of support to the government in a possible crisis was received with applause.

Representative Cannon today at the close of the session introduced a bill making "appropriations for national defense." It is as follows:

"That there is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury, not heretofore appropriated, to be expended at the discretion of the president, and to remain available until June 30, 1898, $50,000,000."

It was referred to the committee on appropriations.

Representative Morton (O.) introduced a resolution, which was referred to the committee on rules, setting aside next Thursday and Friday for the consideration of a joint resolution to recognize the independence of the republic of Cuba.

The Senate—Tuesday.

Today's session of the senate was largely devoted to the consideration of the District of Columbia appropriation bill. After an extended discussion the bill containing a provision for the reduction of about one-half of the present rates of telephone charge in the district was passed.... The bill appropriating $288,000 for the relief of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of Tennessee, was then passed, after a brief debate.

The House—Wednesday.

President McKinley's hands have been upheld by both branches of the American congress. With enthusiasm, fervor and promptness, almost unparalleled in the senate in time of peace, that body today passed the emergency appropriation bill carrying $183,000 of deficiencies, and placing at the disposal of the president $50,000,000 for national defense. The bill was engrossed, signed by McKinley, and is now a law. The vote by which the measure was passed was unanimous. Seventy-six short, sharp and emphatic speeches were delivered in favor of the bill, each one being simply a ringing "aye" during the roll call upon the passage of the measure. Not only did every senator present register his vote in favor of the bill, but for every absent member the authoritative announcement was made that if he were present he would vote aye. From the time the bill was presented to the senate by Mr. Hale, of Maine, until it passed not an unharmonious note was sounded. Party lines were swept aside. It was just 12:13 when Mr. Hale reported the bill to the senate and asked that it be placed on its passage. There was no debate on the bill, and after it was read Vice-President Hobart placed it immediately on its passage. Twelve minutes after the bill was reported to the senate the vice-president announced its unanimous passage.

The House.

The house devoted itself to routine business today. The legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill went through its last stage in the adoption of the final conference report and the remainder of the day was consumed in considering the senate amendment to the Indian appropriation bill.... The house committee on rivers and harbors voted today not to report a river and harbor appropriation bill at this session.

The Senate—Thursday.

No business of real importance was transacted by the senate in open session today. The session lasted an hour, the time being largely consumed in disposing of routine morning business.... A joint resolution to revive the grade of lieutenant-general of the army was reported unanimously by the military affairs committee.... Bills extending for three years the time for the construction of the line of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad Company through the Indian Territory, and to authorize John R. Williams, first lieutenant of the United States army, to accept the decoration of the Legion of Honor from the president of the French republic, were passed.... Consideration of bills on the general calendar was then begun, the first being a measure authorizing the president to take such steps as he might deem necessary to obtain an indemnity from the Spanish government for injuries done to the two Americans—August Bolter and Gustav Richau—by unlawful arrest and imprisonment. Mr. Davis objected and it went over. .... After the senate had passed only one bill of minor importance it went into executive session at 1:15, and at 3:05 p. m. adjourned until Monday.

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After a debate in the house which lasted more than five hours the senate amendment of the Indian appropriation bill for the free entry of ceded Indian lands was non-concurred in by a vote of 99 to 136. The friends of the free home clause made a gallant struggle, but they met the opposition of some of the prominent leaders of the republican side, Messrs. Dingley, Grosvenor, Dalzell and Payne, and they were further weakened by the fact that many of the friends of the proposition were alienated by the belief that, as drawn, the amendment would work injury to the agricultural colleges of the country. The senate amendment of the ratification of the Seminole treaty was also non-concurred in after the substitute proposition offered by the conferees to ratify the Kiowa, Comanche and Apache treaty had fallen under a point of order. The action of the house today sends the bill back to conference with non-concurrence on all the senate amendments.... A bill was passed granting to the Shreveport Bridge and Terminal company the right to construct a bridge across the Red river at Shreveport, La. .... At 5:47 the house adjourned.

The House—Friday.

The bill to pay the Bowman act claims aggregating $1,200,000 for stores and supplies furnished the union army during the war was before the house until 5 o'clock today, but beyond completing the general debate little progress was made. Of the 800 odd claims in the claim all but a few come from the south, and dilatory tactics were resorted to to prevent progress with the bill. In a speech favoring the bill Mr. Gibson (rep.), of Tennessee, said the claims were distributed as follows by states: Alabama, 60; Arkansas, 56; Georgia, 42; Illinois, 1; Kansas, 3; Kentucky, 56; Louisiana, 22; Maryland, 70; Mississippi, 109; Missouri, 61; New York, 1; North Carolina, 113; Ohio, 2; Oregon, 1; Pennsylvania, 4. South Carolina, 22; Tennessee, 180; Virginia, 66, and West Virginia, 46. During the filibustering the house was in an uproar. At 5 o'clock, after completing two pages of the bill, the house recessed until 8 o'clock for an evening session to be devoted to pension legislation. After the evening session the house adjourned over until Monday.

DEATH OF GENERAL ROSECRANS.

The Old Warrior After Three Score and Ten Years of Labor Passes Away.

Gen. W. S. Rosecrans died Friday morning at his home near Redondo, Cal. The old warrior's death was peaceful in the extreme. For several days he has been between life and death. He was stricken with no particular disease, and the end came through a general weakening of the system.

William Stark Rosecrans was born in Kingston, Ohio, September 6, 1819. He was raised on a farm and educated at the public schools. He clerked in a store, and in 1837 applied to the secretary of war for appointment to the West Point military academy. He was appointed, and graduated in 1842. He entered the engineer corps as second lieutenant, and reported for duty at Fortress Monroe. In 1843 he went to West Point as assistant professor in the engineering department.

At the beginning of the war General Rosecrans was a private citizen, when he offered his services to Governor Dennison, of Ohio. He went to Washington later, and was given the position of chief engineer of Ohio, with the rank of colonel. He was commissioned colonel of the Twenty-third Ohio regiment later, entered the field, and within three days was commissioned brigadier-general. He took the field in West Virginia at once. His first important action was at Richmond mountain, which he won.

General Rosecrans succeeded General McClelland in the department of Ohio. He had commanded the national forces and defeated Gen. John B. Floyd at Carnifax Ferry, September 10, 1861, thwarting Lee's attempt to get a footing in Western Virginia. He participated in the battle of the Army of the Mississippi. He defeated General Sterling Price and pursued him forty miles. He was made commander of the Department of the Cumberland, which position he held from October 27, 1862 to October 19, 1863. He commanded in the battle about Murfreeboro, one of the bloodiest and most decisive of the war. He drove Bragg out of Middle Tennessee in fifteen days.

General Rosecrans commanded at the great battle at Chattanooga and held Chattanooga, the great objective point. The battle was a victory for the Confederates. General Rosecrans was relieved in October 1864 and was assigned to the department of the Missouri. He was mustered out of the volunteer service in January, 1866, and resigned from the army in March, 1867. He had been breveted major-general. He was appointed minister to Mexico in July, 1868, and held the office until June, 1896. He was elected to congress from California in 1881, and served four years. He then settled on a ranch near Redondo, Los Angeles county, California, and spent the last years of his life quietly.

McKINLEY HAS THE FACTS.

The Maine Was Destroyed by Government Sub-Marine Mines.

The Army and Navy Register, in its issue of Saturday, says: "The Register is in possession of information, the correctness of which it has no reason to question, that certain evidence gathered by the court of inquiry at Havana has come in a semi-official form to the president from two prominent members of the board. The information has been in the hands of the president since Sunday, and has been the occasion of unusual activity this week.

The information is that the Maine was destroyed by a government submarine mine planted in Havana habor, and it was deliberately exploded. More than this, it appears that the Maine was purposely moored in the vicinity of the mine, and that the explosion occurred at the moment when the ship had been opportunely carried by wind and tide directly over the mine.

BOUGHT CONDITIONALLY

Spain Secures Option on Three Steamers.

A cable message from Berlin says: Senor Sandoval, the Spanish military agent in Germany, Austria and Scandinavia, who returned here last evening from a trip, has made three conditional purchases of coasting steamers at Fiume and two at Pola. He will go to Stettin and Hamburg to inspect a number of vessels offered.

The United States so far has made no purchases from among her options in Germany.

Judicious advertising pays.

DIAMONDS ON FINGER NAILS.

Finger Nail Jewelry Is About the Latest Thing Out.

Finger nail jewelry is about the latest thing that manufacturers of gemmed novelties have brought out. There are both rings and pendants, and they are made in quite a number of forms, but all of them have just as light a setting as is consistent with the safe fastening of the stones. The pendants most affected consist of two or three small stones, set tandem, and connected by

DIAMONDS ON THE FINGER NAILS.

fine gold chains instead of by solid bars. That makes them less awkward to the wearer and also more effective when they are flashed.

The jewels are attached to the nails by a screw arrangement such as is often used for diamond earrings. The nails do not have to be especially long, but great care must be taken in perforating them, and that is an operation which is usually left to a manicure. New holes must be made every week or two, and the more common practice is to transfer the gems from one finger to another whenever a new hole must be made. When rings are used instead of pendants, they are usually only about half the diameter of the ordinary finger ring, and are studded all around with very small stones.

An Overworked Brain.

From the Record, Pierceton, Ind.

Determined to rise in his chosen profession as an educator, Ernest Kemper, of Pierceton, Ind., overtaxed himself mentally and physically. He was ambitious, his mind was always on his work. From early morn until late at night he continually pored over his books.

Few persons, even with the strongest constitutions, can keep up under such a strain.

In addition to his studies, Mr. Kemper was teaching a school some three miles from his home. Finally, his excessive study and the exposure of going to and from school in all kinds of weather undermined his health.

He was taken to his bed with pneumonia and his overworked brain almost collapsed. For several weeks he was seriously ill.

Catarrh had taken root in his system and his mind was in a delicate condition. He was sent to Colorado where he spent three months without receiving any benefit. Then a noted specialist from Cleveland treated him without avail, and then a hospital in Chicago was tried, but all absolutely without benefit. Finally his physician recommended Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and from the first box he began to improve. When he had taken nine boxes he was *completely cured*. This famous blood and nerve medicine had accomplished what all his former expensive treatment failed to accomplish. Mr. Kemper says his catarrh has entirely left him; he is strong again and weighs nine pounds more than he ever did. He gives the pills the entire credit. He is starting teaching again and feels abundantly able to continue the work. To prove that the above is true in every respect, Mr. Kemper made an affidavit as follows:

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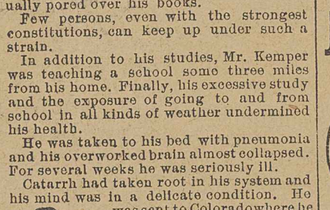

Overstudy.

A dessertspoonful of borine in a glassful of warm water makes a satisfactory antiseptic mouth wash.

To whiten the teeth without injury a simple application is a five per cent solution of pyrozone used as a tooth wash.

Where anise or peppermint fail to cure colic in very young infants, five to ten drops of tincture of cardamon in hot water may have a beneficial effect.

The following are the directions for making a carbolic salve for general family use: One-half dram of pure carbolic acid mixed with two ounces of simple cerate.

For a dizzy, drowsy feeling that becomes permanent a recommended remedy is pure sulphate of soda, a teaspoonful in hot water every morning before breakfast.

Hives or nettle rash are often due to the use of oysters, lobsters, sausage, berries and mushrooms. The eruption may be treated with vinegar or alcohol lotions and baths.

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All Strength in His Limbs

gave out. The physicians told us it was paralysis, which sometimes follows an attack of diphtheria. We did everything for him, but he grew worse until he was in a pitiful condition. He suffered terribly at night and complained continually of his head, and in what little sleep he was able to get, moaned unceasingly. He lost all control of the muscles of his body and limbs. He had no appetite and complained of feeling sick at his stomach all the time. After we had tried many different remedies and had about given up all hope we commenced giving him Hood's Sarsaparilla. In a short time he ceased to complain, his appetite improved and at the end of three months he was able to attend school part of the time. Now he is well and quite a strong and rugged boy. You are at liberty to use this testimonial if you desire, as we feel we cannot say too much in praise of Hood's Sarsaparilla as a blood purifier and building up medicine." MRS. R. E. ANDERSON, Cumberland, Maine.

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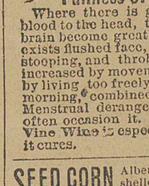

Mrs Martha A Johnson

Malvern, Ark., says: Have used Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine 10 years, and find it a great deal better than "Zeilin's Regulator" and "Black Draught." It has been of great benefit to my Daughter and Niece during their monthly troubles for Obstructed Menstruation. There should be no home without it.

The Turn of Life.

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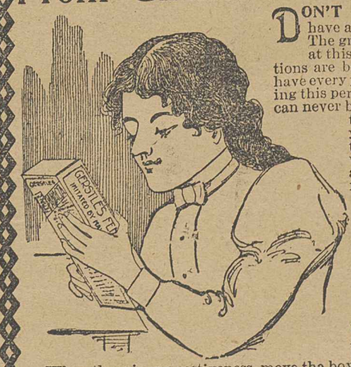

DON'T LET YOUR DAUGHTER have a wrong merging into womanhood. The greatest crisis in every girl's life is at this stage when the menstrual functions are being established, and she should have every provision obtainable for establishing this period properly, without which she can never become a perfect woman. Mothers, teach your daughters to confide in you. Explain their condition to them and watch over them as you would the most delicate plant, and as this most critical age draws near commence giving her

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My daughter was suffering from a severe bilious attack, together with great "bearing-down" pains and back-ache during her monthly periods. She had violent nervous spells which produced a peculiar quivering and jerking sensation. I bought a bottle of GERSTLE'S FEMALE PANACEA (G. F. P.) and some ST. JOSEPH'S LIVER REGULATOR and commenced treating her. All pains and biliousness were removed and the jerking was stopped. It is the best I ever saw for young girls. MARY ELIZA BENES, Beulah, Ala.

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"THE LOVE OF COUNTRY GUIDES."

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Brooklyn is the centre of more healthy "good roads" talk than any other city in the country.

The report of the Free Public Library Commission of Massachusetts says that only three-fifths of one per cent. of the people of the State are without the benefits of free-public libraries.

Says the Watchman: "We are informed by one of our most honored pastors in Providence, R. I., that at a recent evangelistic meeting in that city the Rev. Henry Varley declared that the American Republic was going to ruin because it is not founded on Scriptural principles, since the Bible teaches that a monarchy is the true form of human government. This is pretty strong doctrine for an Englishman to preach to an American audience."

Admiral Thomas C. Selfridge has just been placed on the retired list of the United States Navy, and the event is, in a measure, unique in the history of that branch of the service, inasmuch as the Admiral's father is already on the retired list. He was retired in 1866, after thirty-six and one-half years of service. His name now heads the column of the retired officers of the navy. His son has seen forty-five years of service. There is no similar instance on record.

After twenty years of legal fighting, mainly in the Federal courts, a Leavenworth (Kan.) woman, who was bound to recover the insurance on her husband's life, got the State administration to back her in a suit in the Kansas State courts, and at last secured $22,100, which included interest on the policies of one company. Of this sum the lawyers got half, under the original contract made when the suit was first instituted. During the pendency of the suit the woman married again. She says that the company from which she recovered had been "sandbagged" by its own Kansas attorneys. She expects now that other companies concerned will pay up.

The Chicago Tribune says: In initiating steps for the transfer of the Erie Canal to the general government the State of New York very distinctly indicates that it has found the canal a very large "elephant" on its hands, which it is anxious to dispose of on the most favorable terms. One reason for this action is undoubtedly to be found in the fact that within the past few years $9,000,000 has been expended on the enlargement of the canal, and now $7,000,000 more is needed to complete the work. In the earlier stages of its history the canal was of inestimable value to the trade of New York and the Western States, especially those adjacent to the great lakes, but the multiplication of railway lines throughout all this region has diminished its value for commercial purposes. The only reasons which could justify the general government in assuming responsibility for this work would be the enlargement of the canal so as to make it possible to transfer American naval cruisers from the Atlantic to the lakes in case of war. Such a work would, at least for the present, put a quietus on the project for the construction of a ship canal from Lake Ontario to tidewater on the Hudson.

The circulation of the Bible in this country is enormous, steady, and constantly increases, observes Harper's Weekly. Of Bibles and Testaments the American Bible Society annually sells or gives away about a million and a half, the International Bible Agency sells about half a million, and other large concerns, of which there are four or five in New York alone, circulate a great many more. With such a distribution as that in constant operation one would think the demand would presently be supplied, but that is not the experience of dealers. They say the demand increases all the time. That must be because two or three million new citizens are born every year in the United States, and a large proportion of them presently get new Bibles. The idea of starting a new citizen in life with a second-hand Bible is not popular. "New boy (or new girl), new book," is the rule, and tolerably fortunate children have a fair collection before they have grown up. A moderate allowance of the sacred writings for one American citizen includes one family Bible that belonged to parents; one family Bible for one's own family; one Testament in large print used in childhood; one convenient Bible presented by mother; one Bible in flexible covers subsequently obtained; at least one obsolete Bible containing the Apocrypha; one Testament, revised version; the Book of Psalms separate; a few Bibles to be kept in church; an office Bible; and perhaps others.

CURRENT NEWS IN ALABAMA.

ADDITIONAL CAVALRY COMPANIES TO BE FORMED.

EXPLOSION IN PRATT MINES KILLED SIX CONVICTS.

A Grewsome Mystery in Lowndes County—England May Exclude Alabama Iron—Congressman Brewer Will Retain His Seat—A Woman Heavily Fined—Other Interesting Notes.

MILITARY SPIRIT ABROAD.

Additional Cavalry Companies to Be Formed in This State.

A movement is on foot to organize additional cavalry companies in Alabama. At present there not a sufficient number of these companies in Alabama to form a regiment and the new ones that are to be formed are for the purpose of filling out the required number for a regiment. It is stated that the new companies will not be required to drill, but will simply be organized to be held in readiness in case of war. Under these circumstances Alabama would then have a full regiment of cavalry. One of the new companies will be in Birmingham. It is not yet known where the others will be located.

It is learned further that the war spirit has caused the determination to be reached to form a new infantry company at Decatur, which city now has no military organization. The Decatur company will belong to the Third Regiment.

Lieutenant Samuel G. Jones, of the United States army, on duty with the Alabama National Guard, is in Birmingham engaged in inspecting the State troops in that section.

UNIDENTIFIED CORPSE.

Remains of a Young Woman Found Buried in a Secluded Spot.

Lowndes county reports a grewsome mystery. Some workmen living near Fort Deposit were going to their homes from the village when they were attracted by the barking of some dogs and going in the direction of the brutes found them scratching in some fresh earth in an old field. The men instituted an investigation and unearthed the decomposed body of a young woman. It had been buried in dry goods box and placed about two feet deep in the earth. The body was evidently that of a young woman. It was attired in a stylish, tasty woolen suit, the hair was carefully braided, the feet were encased in neat black shoes and the hands of the corpse were inclosed in new kid gloves, harmonizing in color with the costume. No one seems to have any idea of the identity of the young woman.

England May Exclude Alabama Iron.

The financial secretary to the English treasury, Mr. Hanbury, in the house of commons Thursday replying to Sir Charles Howard Vincent, conservative, relative to the exclusion of consignments from the Tennessee Coal, Iron & Railroad company and the Sloss Iron & Steel company, of Birmingham, who are alleged to be employers of prison labor, said the foreign prison made goods act did not empower the commissioners of customs to exclude such consignments unless evidence of their prison-made origin was furnished them.

New Gas Plant for Birmingham.

The contract for the new bi-product plant to be erected at the Sloss city furnaces on First avenue, was closed Saturday. The Semet-Solvay people will build the bi-product plant, together with the coal tar and ammonia plants. It is said that work will be begun within the next few weeks and that the plant will be one of the largest in this country. The gas plant will be an adjunct to this. It is said, however, that the bi-product people will own a large interest in the gas company, at the head of which are Messrs. Sol Haas and Alex London.

Tax Commission Bureau.

The tax commission bureau of the revenue department of the state is doing a great deal of effective work. Several large sums from back taxes have been recently paid into the treasury, and effective county commissioners appointed, among them George F. Sedberry for Elmore county, F. L. S. Grace for Lowndes, and W. Y. Chardavoye for Lawrence.

Deal Practically Closed.

It is learned that the deal for the sale of extensive furnace properties at Sheffield and the iron and coal properties along the line of the North Alabama railroad, to an English syndicate, has practically been closed through J. W. Worthington and F. B. Nichols, of Birmingham, who represent the syndicate. Extensive developments are expected to follow. About $1,000,000 is involved in the trade.

Child Burned to Death.

The little 3-year-old daughter of Mrs. Jennie Matthews, of Alabama City, was burned to death last week.

Remitted School Funds.

Treasurer Ellis has remitted school funds for the present quarter to thirty-one counties, aggregating $78,000. At the same ratio for the remaining thirty-four counties, who have not filed their pay rolls, it will require from $160,000 to $165,000 to pay the sixty-five counties in the state. Under the school law the school fund of Mobile county is paid by the tax collector direct to the county superintendent of education and not the treasurer, as the other counties in the state. The balance of the school fund will be sent out as fast as the pay rolls are filled.

EIRE DAMP EXPLOSION

In Pratt Mines Results in the Killing of Six Convicts.

Saturday morning about 4 o'clock a terrific explosion occurred in slope 2 at Pratt Mines, and as a result six negro convicts are dead. Their names are as follows:

George Jones, Jefferson county; Alex Shelton, Jefferson county; Will Scott, Chilton county; Henry Johnson, Jefferson county; Tom Oliver, Jefferson county; Eli Lanhorn, Shelby county. All of the men were serving long terms, and three of them had life sentences.

The cause of the explosion is not definitely known, but the general impression is that it was from fire damp. There was some dynamite in the mine, which was used for blasting purposes, but it is believed that this did not explode.

The night shift was working in the mine when the explosion occurred. The six men killed are supposed to have been working at the face of the heading, about two miles from the mouth of the mine.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

The Edgar Foundry and Machine shops at Mobile were destroyed by fire.

Mattie Crooks has been appointed postmistress at Pleasant Ridge, Greene county.

The contract has been let for the remodeling of Pike's court house at a cost of $10,000.

The State Bar association will hold its annual meeting in Montgomery Friday and Saturday, June 17 and 18.

Fire at Vincent destroyed the store of O. M. Harris & Son. The loss was about $1,000, fully covered by insurance.

Albert Meyers, wholesale and retail dealer in shoes at Selma, has assigned to M. J. Meyers. Liabilities, about $15,000.

Beginning Thursday the twentieth annual convention of the Young Men's Christian Association of Alabama will be held in Montgomery.

Friday morning William Bell, a negro brakeman on the Birmingham Mineral railroad, fell under car at Boyle's and was killed.

Representative Stallings introduced a bill in the house to authorize the construction of a bridge across the Conecuh river in Escambia county.

George Arantz Bros., whose mammoth law mills were totally destroyed by fire last Saturday at Decatur, are making arrangements to rebuild the plant.

The board of trustees of the Baptist institute at Walnut Grove met Thursday night and elected Prof. W. Y. Adams president for a term of three years.

Doc Thompson, an alleged ex-moonshiner, was found dead in Coosa county with a bullet hole in his forehead. He had been reporting his neighbors for similar offenses.

A small son of Mr. A. J. Nicholson, who lives in Centreville, was drowned last week. The child was playing around a tub of water that was in the yard and fell into the tub and was drowned before it was found.

Woman Heavily Fined.

In the United States court at Birmingham Lula M. Whitfield was fined $1,000 and costs for making and presenting false accounts to the government.

It was charged that the woman, after appearing in a case as a witness, entered a claim for mileage and made a sworn statement that she had traveled a number of miles further than she really had. When her case was called she wept bitterly. Upon being arraigned she entered a plea of guilty and a fine of $1,000 and costs was entered against her. An execution was issued against her for the amount. She was not committed to jail.

Brewer Will Retain His Seat.

The elections committee at Washington by a vote of 8 to 1, decided that Judge Brewer, of Alabama, was entitled to his seat in congress, eight to dismiss the contest of Goodwyn for the seat. Judge Lumley, a combination of republican and populist, from North Carolina, was the only member of the committee who voted for Goodwyn.

Chairman Taylor will prepare the report, which will be presented to the house in a few days. It will state that while there may have been some frauds in the district, there was no evidence to show that Brewer was not elected or that Goodwyn was.

The Governor Pardons Convicts.

Pardons for the following convicts were issued from the executive office at the capitol Thursday:

George Murchison, convicted of murder in 1882 at Mobile, and sentenced for life.

Addison Allen, convicted of carrying a concealed weapon in Chilton county last November, and sentenced for eight months.

W. M. McLeroy, another concealed weapon case from Jefferson county.

The governor refused several applications and granted restoration of citizenship and political rights to others.

SPAIN'S MILITARY FORCES.

Seventy Thousand Men Killed or Incapacitated for Service in the Cuban War.

Seventy thousand men is the number of Spanish soldiers who have been killed, wounded or otherwise incapacitated for duty during the present war in Cuba. These figures have been received in Washington recently from reliable sources, and are said to be as nearly authentic as it is possible to obtain them, without recourse to the records kept by the Spanish government. From the same source considerable other information bearing on the military strength of Spain and her dependencies is obtained. The present force of Spain in Cuba is as follows: Regulars, 125,000 men. Of this number it is estimated that 80,000 of them are effective for military purposes. They are distributed throughout the island as follows: About 25,000 are in the two eastern provinces of Santiago de Cuba and Puerto Principe, and the remainder are in the provinces of Santa Clara, Matanzas, Havana and Pinar del Rio. There are about 30,000 members in what is known as the volunteer army. These are mostly in the province of Havana, and are largely in the nature of home guards, corresponding to our state militia. There are 55,000 men who are not effective for military duty from various causes.

The strength of the Spanish army at home, and including her near-by possessions, is 100,000 men, which, in times of demand for additional soldiers, may be increased as follows: First reserve, 50,000; second reserve, 160,000, all of whom are instructed in military tactics, and a third reserve, which is not instructed, of 300,000 men, making in all a grand total of 610,000 men.

Since these figures were received recent drafts of 100,000 men to strengthen the army in Cuba leaves only 85,000 men of Spain's regular army now in the peninsula, the Balearic Islands, the Spanish possessions in North Africa and the Canary Islands.

In the Philippine Islands Spain has an army of 32,000 men, which includes about 15,000 native troops. Several regiments of the latter were disbanded during the time of the last insurrection in the islands, and in time of war, it is said, they are of very little use to the Spanish government. In Porto Rico there are 5,000 Spanish troops, which, in the event of hostilities, could be supplemented by 4,000 volunteers.

"SIMPLY INDESCRIBABLE."

Senator Gallinger Talks About the "Destitution in Cuba."

Senator Gallinger was at the capitol Friday for the first time since his return from Cuba. When requested to make a statement as to his observations of the condition of affairs on the island, he responded:

"You can sign my name to any picture you may draw of utter wretchedness, destitution and hellishness in that country. The condition of affairs, so far as I had opportunity to observe it, and I was only in Havana and Matanzas, is simply indescribable. I had not expected to find it half as bad as it is, and I do not believe that anyone who simply reads the accounts and does not see for himself can form an adequate idea of the situation. The reconcentrados are wedged into all available places in the cities, and are perishing by the thousands for want of the commonest necessaries of life. The best information obtainable leads to the conclusion that there have been beyond a doubt four hundred thousand deaths as the result of Spain's brutal policy, and the tragedy goes on from day to day. The Society of the Red Cross is furnishing some relief by its efforts, but the most of those people are beyond the reach of aid, whether through medicine or food. The mortality in Matanzas for the last four months previous to our visit has been equal to ten times the ordinary death rate."

Sold His Yacht.

Charles R. Flint, of New York, has sold the government his new yacht, now building, to be used as a torpedo boat. The boat is to be a twin-screw, with two engines of 1,200 horse-power each. She will be 130 feet long, 5 feet draught, and capable of a speed of 31 knots. Her coal capacity will be sufficient to allow her to cross the Atlantic. She will have accommodations for twenty-four men.

BLANCO'S BOAST.

No Other Banner Than That of Spain at the Entrance to the Gulf.

General Blanco, at a banquet to the officers of the Vizcaya and the Almirante Oquendo, toasted "The King, the Queen Regent, the Army and Navy of Spain."

He said: "The present generation will never see another banner than that of Spain at the entrance to the Gulf of Mexico. That banner, representing civilization, progress, liberty, humanity and religion, will be eternal, like that of the first American nation."

Admiral Manterola, responding in behalf of the navy, said: "In union, the army and navy will always be indestructible."

The O'Higgins Has Not Been Sold.

The Santiago correspondent of the London Times says: "The Chilian Government authorizes me to deny the rumors of the sale of the cruiser O'Higgins. No offer for any Chilian vessel will be entertained until the questions between Chili and Peru are definitely arranged."

The Montgomery Relieved by the Fern

The United States dispatch boat Fern has relieved the Montgomery in Havana harbor. The latter vessel is now at Key West.

PRESIDENT NOT WEAKENING

Formation of New Squadron Purely a Strategic Move by Government.

MAINE INCIDENT SECONDARY TO FREE CUBA

Four Battleships of the Best Types to be Placed at Hampton Roads—Court of Inquiry Still at Work—Spanish Flotilla Will Not Proceed.

A special from Washington says:

The implications made in a number of papers that the president is weakening in his policy, is deeply, even bitterly resented by the members of the administration.

Some of these papers point to the withdrawal of the Texas and the Massachusetts from the vicinity of Cuba as indicative of weakness on the part of the chief executive.

The fact of the matter is that this move to form another squadron implies just the contrary, and even indicates that the administration fears a campaign of defense is inevitable.

In spite of all the reports of settlement by purchase and autonomy, the general belief among public men here is that the Cuban policy of the president is about to culminate. Senator Proctor's speech is taken as a forerunner of executive action.

The Maine incident is to be made secondary to the independence of Cuba, and the massing of squadrons along the Atlantic coast indicates a defensive campaign. Senators and other well-informed public men further believe that the president will recognize the independence of Cuba and then wait with the expectation of an attack from Spain.

It is not known when the report of the court of inquiry will come to Washington, but it is expected here in the course of two or three days.

A cabinet officer expressed the belief that the report will require careful consideration on the part of the president and his cabinet before being given to the public, which would seem to postpone publication to some time about the middle of next week.

FORMING A NEW SQUADRON.

Five Battleships of the Best Types to Be Placed at Hampton Roads.

The navy department has issued orders for the formation of a new squadron of naval vessels to be stationed at Hampton Roads. The squadron, in the beginning, will consist of five ships, all the best of their types. Of them, the battleships Massachusetts and Texas, are withdrawn from the present North Atlantic fleet at Key West and Tortugas.

It would be a grave mistake in ordering this movement if the navy department is animated by any purpose of yielding to representations, or intimations, that may have come from the Spanish minister as to the mischief caused by the gathering of so large a naval force as Admiral Sicard's fleet in the vicinity of Cuba. On the contrary, the formation of the new squadron was brought about by purely strategic considerations, although it appears from the nature of the force so far under orders to rendezvous at Hampton Roads that this strategy is of the defensive nature.

The new squadron cannot be called a "flying squadron," because the association of heavy battleships with fleet cruisers like the Brooklyn, Columbia and Minneapolis reduces the available speed of the whole to the speed of the slowest vessel, and the squadron could not do much "flying" in the naval sense. The indications rather are that, when reinforced by some smaller cruisers, the squadron will constitute an ideal naval defense.

Court of Inquiry Still at Work.

The court of inquiry at Key West is diligently continuing its sessions on board the battleship Iowa, and, judging from statements made by members, it is quite problematical how many more days will pass before the public learns its conclusions.

Ordered Not to Proceed.

Admiral Bermejo, the Spanish minister of marine, has wired the commander of the torpedo flotilla at the Canaries not to proceed to Havana.

INDEPENDENCE OR DEATH.

Palma Declares That the Cubans Will Not Have Autonomy.

T. Estrada Palma, head of the Cuban Junta, has issued a proclamation to the people of the United States in which he stated that the Cubans would not accept autonomy. "Independence or death," was their motto.

The proclamation says: "I cannot believe that the American people would ever lend themselves to the most treacherous and blood-stained monarchy of history for the purpose of trying to make Cuba accept autonomy. Should such prove to be the case, however, I declare in the name of the Cuban people in arms, that force alone can compel our submission."

Coal for the Navy.

The United States government has contracted with Arkansas mine owners for the delivery of 500 cars of coal for the use of the navy. The coal will be shipped from Coal Hill to Galveston. Another contract for 10,000 cars is said to have been made with the Western Coal and Mining Company.

Building Sub-Marine Mines.

A force is at work planting Savannah harbor with sub-marine mines and torpedoes off Fort Pulaski, at the mouth of Savannah river.

FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

The Senate—Monday.

During its session of three hours today the senate passed a considerable number of bills from the general calendar, among the number being one authorizing the construction of eight new revenue cutters not exceeding in aggregate cost the sum of $1,025,000. The national quarantine bill was made the regular order of business and will be taken up probably on Wednesday. .... Mr. Hoar called up a resolution reported by him from the judiciary committee providing for the submission to the legislatures of the various states of a proposed amendment to the constitution of the United States relative to the succession to the presidency. He desired simply to place in the record certain information bearing upon the success and briefly to impress senators with the desirability of passing the resolution at an early date in order to remedy a manifest defect in the constitution.

The House.

This being the second Monday of the month, it was given over, under the rules, to the consideration of business relating to the District of Columbia. The District business was concluded at 4:30 p. m. A few senate bills were passed, and at 5 o'clock the house adjourned.

The Senate—Tuesday.

After the passage today of numerous bills from the calendar, the senate began the consideration of the measure providing for a national system of quarantine. Little beyond the reading was accomplished. Some desultory discussion occurred on an an amendment offered by the committee, but no progress being made on the general bill.... The bills passed were the following: To authorize the Pensacola, Alabama & Tennessee railroad to erect a bridge across the Alabama river in Wilcox county, Ala. To establish a light house at the Pass of Cape Fear river, Wilmington, at a cost not to exceed $70,000; to extend for the uses of the mail service the plan to adopt the return postal card of the United States Economic company. A bill to regulate the collection and disbursement of monies arising from leases made by the Seneca Nation to New York Indians was passed.... A measure providing that United States marshals and district attorneys should continue to fill their respective offices till the appointment and qualification of their successors, was passed. On motion of Mr. Fairbanks, of Indiana, the senate at 3:15 p. m. went into executive session and and at 5:25 p. m. adjourned.

The House.

The house agreed today to consider the bill for the relief of the legal heirs of the victims and survivors of the Maine disaster as soon as the report of the postoffice appropriation bill, which was taken up today, is out of the way. Mr. Loud, in charge of the postoffice bill, explained its provisions briefly. It carried $98,962,300, being $958,901 less than the estimates and $3,296,962 more than the appropriations for the current year. Mr. Bromwell made an extended speech against the appropriation for special fast mail facilities from Boston to New Orleans. During general debate on the bill the members generally took advantage of the latitude allowed in committee of the whole to discuss various political questions, and the debate accordingly covered a wide range. At the conclusion of the debate an arrangement was made to close general discussion until tomorrow at 3 o'clock.

The Senate—Wednesday.

The legislative session of the senate today was confined to the passage of a few bills largely of a local character. The national quarantine bill was not considered.... The senate committee on foreign relations today agreed to recommend that the Hawaiian islands be annexed by legislation in open session and agreed upon a joint resolution for the accomplishment of this purpose, which Senator Davis was authorized to report to the senate. Later, in the senate chamber, Senator Davis reported a joint resolution providing for the annexation of the Hawaiian islands. The joint resolution went to the calendar.... The amendments made by the house to the bill granting a right of way to the Omaha & Northern Railway company were agreed to and the bill passed.... After other minor business the senate went into executive session.... At 12:55 the senate resumed business in open session. Bills were passed as follows: To extend one year the time for the construction of the Denison & Northern railroad through the Indian Territory; to provide for submitting to the court of claims for determination the rights of the Delaware Indians in the Cherokee nation, the Mississippi Choctaws in the Choctaw nation, the Chickasaw freedmen in the Chickasaw nation and inter-married persons in the Choctaw, Chickasaw and Cherokee nations; and relating to the selection of inspectors of the hulls and boilers of vessels.... At 2 o'clock the senate went into executive session and at 4:20 p. m. adjourned.

The House.

The postoffice appropriation bill, which was technically the subject before the house, was almost lost track of in the senate today. Numerous topics were discussed, but for the first time the Cuban-Spanish question, which had been kept in the background heretofore, forged to the front. Mr. Cochran, of Missouri, brought the question into the arena, and in the course of the debate that followed Mr. Grosvenor, of Ohio, took occasion to deny emphatically the stories afloat to the effect that the president desired an early adjournment of congress, in order that he might effect a settlement without congressional interference.... The subject of Hawaiian annexation also came in for attention today. Mr. Williams, of Mississippi; Mr. Adams, of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Berry, of Kentucky, all members of the foreign affairs committee, made speeches upon the subject.

The Senate—Thursday.

The senate today passed bills as follows: To pay to Stewart College (now the Southwestern University), located at Clarksville, Tenn., $25,500 for damages done by Union troops during the war; to authorize the erection of a statue of the late President Lincoln at Gettysburg, Pa., to cost $50,000; to prohibit railroad companies from charging more than 3 cents per mile for carrying passengers through Indian Territory... Senator Bacon spoke in favor of the national quarantine bill. .... The senate then adjourned until Monday.

The House.

No political questions were discussed in the house today. The whole session was devoted to the postoffice appropriation bill. The questions which consumed the major portion of the time related to the allowance for clerk hire at postoffices and to rural free delivery. The house increased the allowance for rural free delivery from $150,000 to $300,000, and defeated the proposition for increased clerk hire.

The House—Friday.

The house spent another day on the postoffice appropriation bill, but only disposed of two pages of it. Most of the day was devoted to a debate on the merits of the pneumatic tube mail service in New York, Boston and Philadelphia, and the advisability of continuing existing contracts. Without completing the bill, the house adjourned.

The House—Saturday.

The house today passed the postoffice arpropriation bill, which has been under consideration since Wednesday by a vote of 119 to 61. The main points of attack today were the appropriation of $30,000,000 and for railway train mails; and $171,000 for special mail facilities from New York to New Orleans.

These items annually attract more or less of a contest. This year the opposition seems to be less intent. All efforts to reduce the appropriation for railway transportation signally failed and the vote on the southern mail subsidy was 78 to 98, against striking out. By neat parliamentary manoeuvering the opponents of the subsidy were prevented from getting a direct vote on a motion to recommit with instructions.

At the opening session of the house today Mr. Dingley, the floor manager of the majority offered the bill reported from the ways and means committee, providing for the free entry into this country of guns, ammunition and other naval supplies and war material purchased abroad until January 1, 1899. He explained that the committee had unanimously reported the bill. It was asked for by the secretaries of war and navy. The bill was passed without division.

ARMY BILL PREPARED.

It Contemplates That the Army Shall Have 104,000 Men.

The most interesting proposition yet made by the war department to meet the contingencies of the future probably has just been completed. It is the preparation of a bill providing among other sections for the placing of the army on a war footing for the full strength of 104,000 men. The bill has been carefully gone over by the war department, and was introduced in the house by Representative Hull.

In view of a possibility of a conflict with Spain, considerable interest centers just now in the strength of the military force that can be called on in case of necessity. According to the latest reports the total organized strength of the militia of the United States is 114,362, while the number of men avaiable for military duty (organized) is 1,031,339.

FIVE MILLION DOLLARS

Will be Spent Out of the War Fund for Atlantic and Gulf Fortifications.

Steps have been taken by the engineers' office of the government for the expenditure of $5,000,000 originally allotted out of the $50,000,000 national defense fund for the continuation of the improvements of various works of fortifications. Practically all of it will be devoted to the Atlantic and Gulf coasts. While the expenditure will be under the general supervision of the engineer's office at Washington, the details connected therewith, including the making of contracts, etc., will be left to the discretion of the local engineers.

Seventy Corpses Recovered.

A terrible explosion took place in the Santa Isabel mine at Belmez, province of Cordova, Spain. Seventy corpses have been recovered and five of those rescued have succumbed to their injuries. Many men are as yet unaccounted for.

Artillery Men Transferred to the South.

Batteries F. and I. of the First Artillery, and battery I of the Second Artillery, left Fortress Monroe and have been transferred to the Southern posts to which they were ordered.

Foully Murdered.

C. A. Heard, proprietor of the Railroad hotel at Leland, Miss., was shot and instantly killed by W. T. Farley, a brother of H. C. Farley, who was killed last Sunday night by C. W. Huntley. From a bystander's statement, Heard was foully murdered.

Dauntless Crew Joins the Navy.

The crew of the filibuster Dauntless, seventeen in all, finding occupation gone by the seizure of the boat, has joined the United States navy.

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FOR PROBATE JUDGE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Probate Judge of Shelby County, subject to the action of the primary election to be held on the 23rd of April, 1998.

A. P. LONGSHORE.

The Advocate is authorized to announce G. B. Deans as a candidate for Probate Judge of Shelby county, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to be held April 23rd, 1898.

FOR CIRCUIT CLERK.

The friends of John P. Pearson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on 23rd of April, 1898.

The friends of R. T. Johnson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on the 23rd of April, 1898.

We are authorized to announce John H. Leonard as a candidate for Clerk of the Circuit Court of Shelby county, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to held April 23rd 1898.

FOR COMMISSIONER.

The friends of W. N. Gilbert announce him as a candidate for commissioner from the Second District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to be held April 23rd 1898.

EDITOR ADVOCATE—Please announce Mr. D. C. Davis as a candidate for re-election to the office of Commissioner, from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the Populist and Republican parties, and oblige.

MANY FRIENDS.

The friends of John T. Glaze announce him as a candidate for Commissioner from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, on the 23rd of April, 1898.

Mr. Editor.—Please announce W. C. Powers as a candidate for Commissioner from the second district, subject to the action of the Populist and Republican parties.

MANY FRIENDS.

Primary Election Notice.

By authority of the county executive committee, a primary election will be held at the various voting places in Shelby county, on Saturday, April 23rd, 1898, for the purpose of electing candidates for Representative, Probate Judge, Circuit Clerk, County Superintendent of Education and Commissioners from the 2nd and 4th commissioners districts.

At the same time the populists of each beat will elect three executive committeemen to serve two years.

The populist executive committee of each beat will act as managers of the election and send up the certified returns to the county executive committee, which will meet at the court house at 12 m., on Saturday, April 30th, for the purpose of counting the vote and declaring the result.

JNO. W. PITTS,
Chairman.

J. F. MCGRAW,
Secretary.

The Louisiana Constitutional Convention is still wrestling with the suffrage questio . It has been in session five or six weeks, and has done nothing yet but draw their per diem.

The democrats of Montgomery held their primary last Saturday. Judge Gaston was nomir.ated for Probate Judge and Hon. A. A. Wiley for the Senate.

The people of Calhoun county will in the near future vote on the removal of the court house from Jacksonville to Anniston. The populists oppose removal.

The Chilton county populists will hold their primary election on the 29th of April, to nominate county officers.

Hon. W. F. Aldrich.

Having been unanimously endorsed by the Republicans of this—the 4th—district for a third term in Congress, has received many letters of congratulations from prominent men all over the State. Among them Hon. Jesse F. Stallings, democratic congressman from the 2nd Alabama district, who says:

"W. F. Aldrich stands high in the financial and business circles of the State of Alabama. He is the owner of the Montevallo coal mines at the town of Aldrich. It is the best coal mine in the United States and he works a large force of men. I know nothing derogatory to the business, political or private life of Mr. Aldrich, personally. You have come to the right man. If I knew anything against him I would not hesitate to say so.

MR. ALDRICH A PEOPLE'S ECONOMIST.

To show his public spirit and regard for the public weal, Congressman Aldrich has introduced a bill providing that the contestee in an election case shall give a bond in the sum of $10,000 to the government, conditioned that in case he should be unseated by a contest he will pay back all salary that he may have received Mr. Aldrich does not believe that two persons should be paid a salary for the same position, and does not believe that a premium should be placed upon ballot-box stuffing or illigally or fraudulently securing a certificate of election to congress, and thereby secure $10,000 from the United States treasury that the person is not entitled to.

Supersensitive.

Whenever a man, or newspaper descants upon the inequality of opportunity between men, on account of the present system of business and commerce, there is always same sage individual to prate with great dignity that such is demagogry, because there is an arraying of one class against another class.

Whenever there is denunciation of the methods of the piratical class, who, like the lily, "they work not, neither do they spin," yet accumulate all the wealth produced by labor, that too, is denounced as demagogry, because it arrays one class aganist another.

Whenever there is condemnation of the trusts, combines and syndicates, who are robbing all who use or consume what they produce, the same individual, with oppressive dignity, asserts this is arraying class against class.

Yes, it may be arraying one class against another; but it is the same sort of arraying that was once common in this country, which preceded the organization of regulators to run down thieves and robbers, and kill them.

What is the difference in the robber of that day and the one of today? In those days, he took his life in his hand and had to display some sort of manhood and courage to commit his robberies; but the gentlemanly robber of today simply uses the constraint and compulsion which your absolute necessities urge, and when you yield he takes your money by a scheme of rsbbery that is as heartless, as vile and as thieving as the highwayman who, at the point of a pistol took your purse instead of your life.

These sensitive gentlemen would have the outrages protested against concealed, so that the robber could longer ply his arts; for he will never be stopped until public sentiment shall be so aroused that he will be forced by law or violence to quit. To conceal the villainy is to condone it. To fail to expose and denounce it, is to give it a further lease of power, and thereby aid and abet the scoundrellism.

The Monitor pleads guilty of a purpose to expose and denounce it so long as it shall exist, and intends to make it as near personal to each man to see, feel and realize it as fully as possible, so that each man will be aroused and his indignation and exasperation so fully in exercse, that he will never forget to do all in his power to destroy the infamous system and annihilate all engaged in the robbery.

If this straight, unequivocal kind of talk and newspaper work had been faithfully done twenty years ago there would be no demand for it now.—Alabama Monitor.

Dr. S. A. Steel, the "Demosthanese of Southern Methodism," will lecture at Montevallo April 2nd on "Home Life in Dixie during the war."

The Income Tax Again.

The reference made by Mr. Bryan to the income tax in his Athens speech is one to which the time gives peculiar emphasis.

This tax was imposed for the purpose of compelling wealth to bear its just share of government burden. Yet when the constitutionality of this tax is brought before the United States supreme court that body, aster first deciding in its favor, through some hocus pocus changed its opinion, and rendered an adverse decision.

It was a timely hit, therefore, that Mr. Bryan made in his Athens speech, when he called attention to the fact that now, standing under the imminence of a foreign war, the government had the right to draft the entire manhood of the nation into the struggle for its life, while this hoarded wealth, which the income tax intended to reach, would not contribute a single iota to the defense of the country, but would, on the other hand, increase its leeching power and reach out for more bonds and higher interest.

This argument, which had been made before, presents its full force in the presence of danger, and will be appreciated right now much more than it could be in time of profound peace when the skies were clear. It is no wonder then, that Mr. Bryan declared his hope that the time would come when the right to impose an income tax would be foud directly named in the constitution itself—Atlanta Constitution.

The expenditure of $50,000,000 in this country will have a great tendency to produce better times. The cause of the hard times and business stagnation prevailing during late years is the lack of money. The more money put in circulation, the more active business will be and the more work the people will have. Give the people work and the merchants will then sell goods. —Silver Knight-Watchman.

It is rumored that Rothschilds cabled to his agents, Belmont and Morgan, that there would be no war on account of the destruction of the Maine. As Rothschilds furnishes nations with money to wage war, he ought to know whether or not he will loan Spain enough to carry on a small war with the United States in order to save the dynasty at home.—Silver Knight-Watchman.

Don't take the paper from the post-office for five years and then refuse to pay because you "never subscribed for it nohow." This is thievery pure and simple. You could have refused it for four years and eleven months before.—Ex.

The Kentucky legislature has passed a bill to put the counting of the state vote in the hands of the democrats. This makes Kentucky a democratic state again, for nothing on earth can beat a ring democrat counting.

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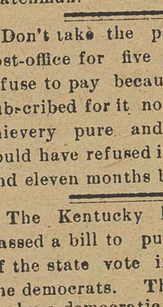

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The President and Spanish Crisis.

President McKinley is confronted with trying times; upon his shoulders there fall at this hour grave responsibilities, responsibilities that he must bear and for the most part bear alone. It is a time when he must direct and the American people accept his direction unquestioningly, cheerfully, promptly, at least until such time as he may, in an hour of weakness, give evidence of going astray. But if the American people cannot at this time share in the responsibilities thrust upon the President, cannot relieve him of his burdens, they can abstain from adding to his responsibilities, from making his burdens more exacting, his responsibilities more trying, This they can do by withholding thoughtless and adverse criticism, by abstaining from unthinking prodding that can but annoy and distract, by showing the President that they will as one men stand behind him and uphold him. This the President has a right to expect of the American people, this they owe him as a duty and, be it said, this they have rendered to him.

While Mr. McKinley evinces a determined purpose to uphold the honor of the nation, while he moves forward to meet the obligations imposed upon him by the situation that confronts him, by the laws of common humanity, by a due regard to the laws of nations, but above all by the precepts of right and justice let him feel the presence of no partisan opponents, let him feel only the presence of friends that he may gather strength in the knowledge that the whole American people stand unitedly behind him. Let the American people keep guard that by no act of theirs they add to the difficulties of the President in this, his hour of grave responsibility and trial, Let them stand unitedly behind him that he may gather strength and encouragement from their unity, let them support him in a way to give strength to the weak man, in a way to prevent any weakening of the strong.—The American.

Convenient Schedules East.

Parties contemplating a trip to the east should go via Southern Railway, through Asheville and the "Land of the Sky." The service via this route is excellent and the schedule is as follows: Leave Selma 9:35 a. m.; Leave Columbiana 12:01 p. m.; Arrive at Rome 4:35 p. m.; Arrives Chattanooga 7:20 p. m.; Leave Chattanooga 10:00 p. m.; Arrive Knoxville 1:10 a. m.; Arrive Hot Springs 4:00 a. m.; Arrive Asheville 5:10 a. m.; Arrive Salisbury 9:30 a. m.; Arrive Lynchburg 3:51 p. m.; Arrive Washington 9:35 p. m.; Arrive Philadelphia 2:56 a m.; Arrive New York 6:23 a. m. This is a solid train Chattanooga to Salisbury, carrying day coaches. Baggage and Express and Elegant Pullman Drawing Room Sleeping Car through without change, connecting at Salisbury with United States Fast mail train, carrying Pullman Drawing Room Sleeping Cars Salisbury to New York, without change.

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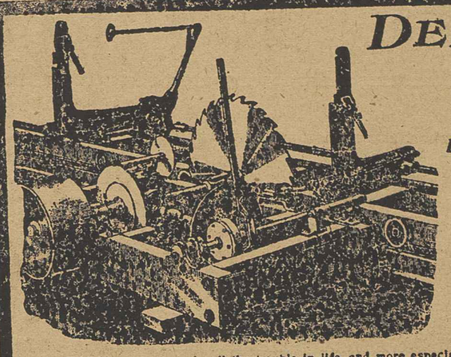

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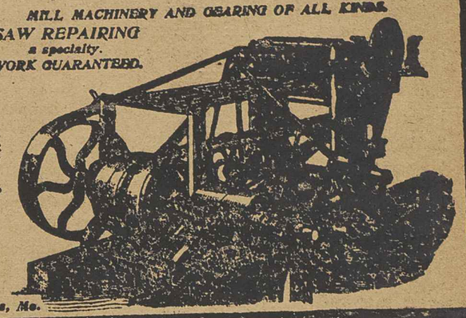

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Announcement.

Candidates wishing Republican support will do well to make it known through the columns of the Alabama Time Piece, Aldrich, Alabama, the only Republican organ of Shelby.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Condensed Schedule in Effect January 16, 1898.

No.	STATIONS.	No.
.....	3.25pm lv...Selma...ar	11 28am .....
.....	5.11pm ...Montevallo...	9.25am .....
.....	7.55pm ar..Brm'ham..lv	6.46am .....
No. †26	No. §28 STATIONS.	No. †25 No. §27
4.20am	5.45am lv...Akron...ar	6.45pm 6.45pm
5.5 am	6.41am ...Greensboro...	5.25pm 5.37pm
7.25am	7.49am ....Marion....	3.30pm 4.20pm
8.30am	8.30pm ...Marion Jct..	2.25pm 3.4 pm
9.55am	9.50am ar...Selma...lv	1.50pm 3.00pm
No. *20	No. *18 STATIONS.	No. *15 No. *19
.....	7.25pm lv..New O'l's..ar	8.50am .....
.....	5.30am lv...Meridian..ar	9.50pm .....
.....	6.25am ....York....	8.40pm .....
.....	7.32am ...Demopolis...	7.45pm .....
.....	8.13am ar..Uniont'n..lv	7.04pm .....
.....	8.46am ...Marion Jct..	6.11pm .....
.....	9.28am ar Selma lv	5.43pm .....
2.25pm	9.35am lv Selma ar	5.35pm 11.28am
5.11pm	11.26am ...Montevallo...	3.39pm 9.25am
.....	11.46am ....Calera....	3.27pm .....
.....	12.01pm ...Columbiana...	3.06pm .....
.....	12.32pm ..Childersburg..	2.37pm .....
.....	1.22pm ...Talladega...	2.03pm .....
.....	2.05pm ....Oxford....	1.25pm .....
.....	2.16pm ...Anniston...	1.09pm .....
.....	2.40pm ..Jacksonville..	12.39pm .....
.....	3.05pm ..Piedmont...	12.15pm .....
.....	3.57pm ..Cave Springs..	11.24am .....
.....	4.35pm ....Rome....	10.48am .....
.....	10.40pm ar...Atlanta...lv	7.50am .....

†25	*22	*36	STATIONS	*35	*37	†26
a m	a m	p m		a m	p m	p m
.....	6.00	4.15	lv...Birm'ham..ar	11.45	10.00	.....
.....	7.12	5.26	....Pell City....	10.25	8.46	.....
.....	8.10	6 30	....Anniston....	9 15	7.42	.....
.....	8.19	6 55	....Oxford.....	9	7.32	.....
.....	8.55	7.32	....Heflin.....	8	7.01	.....
.....	9.05	7 43	...Edwardsville...	8 19	6.50	.....
.....	9.13	7 58	....Fruithurst...	8.08	6.40	.....
5 55	9.30	8 15	...Tallapoosa...	7.47	6.23	7.55
6 16	9.48	8.35	.....Bremen.....	7 27	6.5	7 32
7.23	10.30	9 24	...Douglasville...	6 40	5.16	6 20
7.35	10.40	9 35	..Lithia Springs..	6 30	5.05	6 15
8.25	11 30	10.30	ar...Atlanta...lv	5 40	4.15	5 15
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STATIONS.	No. *12	No. *16
Lv Rome	.....	4.45pm
Lv Knoxville	8.25am	9.50pm
Ar Morristown	9.50am	10.50pm
Ar Hot Springs	11.46am	12.22am
Ar Asheville	1.15pm	1.30am
Ar Salisbury	6.40pm	6.00am
Ar Greensboro	9.52pm	8.50am
Ar Raleigh	7.10am	11.45am
Ar Norfolk	.....	5.25pm
Ar Washington	6.42am	9.25pm
Ar New York	12.45pm	6.23am

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STATIONS.	No. 9
Lv Rome	4.45pm
Ar Chattanooga	7.30pm
Ar Cincinnati	7.20am
Ar Louisville	7.27am

No. 9 Pullman Sleeping car Rome to Cincinnati and Chattanooga to Louisville without change.

STATIONS.	No. 38	No. 36
Lv Atlanta	12.00pm	11.50pm
Ar Charlotte	8.20pm	9.00am
Ar Danville	12.00am	1.30pm
Ar Lynchburg	1.58am	2.55pm
Ar Charlottesville	3.30am	5.45pm
Ar Washington	6.42am	9.30pm
Ar Baltimore	8.00am	11.20pm
Ar Philadelphia	10.15am	2.56am
Ar New York	12.44pm	6.23am

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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of one Fi. Fa. issued from the Circuit Court of Shelby County, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell in front of the Court House, in the town of Columbiana, on the 23rd day of March, 1898, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

One bay horse, name Charley; one, one-horse wagon and harness; Fifty bushels of corn, more or less; 880 pounds fodder, more or less; 15 bushels of cotton seed; one grindstone.

Levied upon as the property of T. C. May, to satisfy said Fi. Fa. in my hands in favor of V. A. Davidson.

This 9th day of March, 1898.

E. F. VEST, Sheriff.

The above sale has been postponed until April 4th, 1898.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of one Fi Fa, issued from the Chancery Court of Shelby county, Sixth District north-eastern chancery division, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell in front of the court house in the town of Columbiana, Ala., on the 21st day of March, 1898, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

The east half of the northeast quarter, section 34, township 21, range 3 west, Also one dwelling house and lot in the town of Montevallo, said house is now occupied by H. R. Wells, formerly known as the Tom Wells house; bounded on the south by the Sam Allen lot, fronting street running from foot bridge to Southern Railroad. All in Shelby County, Ala.

Levied upon as the property of H. R. Wells, to satisfy said Fi Fa in my hands in favor of the American Mortgage Company of Scotland, Limited.

This 14th day of February, 1898.

E. F. VEST Sheriff.

The above sale has been postponed until April 25th, 1898.

APPLICATION TO SELL LAND

STATE OF ALABAMA, SHELBY COUNTY. } PROBATE COURT SHELBY COUNTY ALA.

Under and by virtue of an order and decree of the Honorable D. R. McMillan, Judge of Probate for Shelby county, Ala., I, as administrator of the estate of William Booth, deceased, will sell at public oui cry, to the highest bidder for cash, at Montevallo, Ala., on Wednesday, the 16th day of March, 1898, during the legal hours of sale, for the purpose of distribution among the heirs of said place, all the following described real estate belonging to the estate of William Booth deceased, viz: The northeast quarter of the southeast quarter, and part of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section 20, township 21, range 4 west, containing 74 acres more or less, and situated in Shelby county, Ala.

This the 22d day of February 1898.

E. F. VEST,
Administrator of the Estate of William Booth Deceased.

The above sale has been postponed until April 11th, 1898.

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THE-:-PEOPLE'S-:-ADVOCATE

SOCIAL AND LOCAL NEWS.

Points About People You Know and Some You Don't Know. News From Different Beats.

J. K. Milner, of Anniston, was in the city last Friday.

I. W. Bailey makes a good foreman for the grand jury.

Frank Nelson, Jr., of Anniston, is in the city this week.

Miss Alice Porter returned Monday from a visit to Blocton.

Mrs. J. W. Hester is still quite ill at her home on Main street.

W. W. Brane, of Montgomery, was among his old friends here this week.

W. W. Walls, of Birmingham, spent several days in the city this week.

Mrs. I. W. Bailey, of Calera, is visiting relatives and friends in the city.

Candidates are conspicious by their absence from Columbiana this week.

A. L. Porter and William Wood, of Sylacauga, were in the city Tuesday.

Dr. T. G. Nelson and lady, of Harpersville, are visiting relatives in the city.

Miss Minnie Vrancken, of New Orleans, is visiting the family of E. D. Hall.

Miss Edna Booker, of Birmingham, spent Monday in the city with friends.

Mrs. E. A. Burns, of Wilsonville, was with Columbiana friends several days last week.

E. L. Spencer, of Birmingham, spent several days in the city this week with his family.

M. S. Wilson, of Longview, is acting as bailiff for the grand jury at this term of the court.

W. W. Wallace and Henry Walthall, of Harpersville, were in the city Friday and Saturday.

Triple Crown, Linden Layer raisins and best Currants at 7 cents per pound, at J. H. Hammond.

Capt. Jno. B. Randall and Judge John A. Campbell, of Calera, are attending court here this week.

Miss Lucy Smith closed her school at Maylene Monday and returned to her home in this city.

The charming Miss Mattie Kidd, of Harpersville, was with Columbiana friends several days last week.

Misses Talifiero and Janie Wallace, of near Harpersville, visited their sister, Mrs. J. R. Beavers, last week.

The case of the State vs Lee Rice charged with murder, has been set for Tuesday, of the third week for trial.

Misses Edna Nelson, Anna Milner and Nellie Parker returned Monday to the Industrial School at Montevallo.

Dr. A. E. McGraw, J. H. Wilden, D. C. and T. B. Davis and H. D. Adams, of Vincent, were in the city several days this week.

Messrs. J. H. Hammond and Henry Milner swapped residences last week, and both families moved into their new home Monday.

"Avoid every appearance of evil," was the subject of an able sermon by the pastor, Rev. E. A. Burns, at the Baptist church last Sunday.

G. C. Bain, of Highland, and a candidate for commissioner on the Hardy-Vandiver ticket, was shaking hands with the voters here Monday and Tuesday.

Chancery court, Chancellor Dowdell presiding, adjourned Saturday evening. The Advocate is informed that a special term of this court will be held some time in the near future for the purpose of clearing up the docket.

Quite a number of prominent attorneys attended chancery court here last week, among whom were Hon. F. L. Pettus, of Selma, Capt. W. C. Ward, of Birmingham, and Messrs. Cecil Browne and E. H. Dryer, of Talladega.

Circuit court convened Monday at 1:30 p. m. The grand jury was empaneled. The charge by Hon. Geo. E. Brewer, judge presiding, to the grand jury, was a plain, lucid and able one, covering all matters that would probably come before them. Mr. I. W. Bailey was appointed foreman and the jury proceeded at once to work.

Found.

On the streets of Columbiana, a gold breast pin, which the owner can have by calling at this office, describing property, and paying for this advertisement.

Here We Go to the Quilting.

I will give away one 10 pound caddy of tobacco, either Red Apple or Schnapps, also 20 pounds of Arbuckles Roasted coffee. Come in and see about it.

J. H. Hammond.

Mass Meeting.

A mass meeting of the populist of Shelby will be held at the court house at 1 p. m., Saturday, April 30th 1898, for the purpose of electing delegates to the State, Congressional, Judicial and Chancery conventions.

By order of the committee.

JOHN W. PITTS,
Chairman.

A BIG DRIVE

In stoves, tinware, hardware, ladies' and men's shoes, at prices below their value. A lot of dry goods, notions and fancy articles will be found on our 5, 10 and 25 cent counters at one-half their value. For the next 30 day's we will offer to the trade choice staple and fancy groceries at LIVING PRICES, but not below cost.

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Attention Teachers.

I am ready to pay teachers as fast as reports come in for quarter ending March 31st 1898, which must show exact number of days taught since October 1st last.

White teachers institute will be held at Columbiana during the later part of April or early in May.

Colored teachers institute at Calera March 31st to April 1st, 1898.

EUGENE WILLIAMS,
County Supt. of Education.

Supt Williams Commended.

Montgomery, March 19, 1898.—Supt. Eugene Williams, My Dear Sir.—As I shall soon go out of office, and from time to time I have had to make much complaint against city and county superintendents, and for fear this might be misunderstood by some, I desire to say to you that you have been faithful and painstaking, and have studied your office work and you are now making a good official. If all the superintendents had the matter at heart as you have, and were as willing as you have been to take advice from the Department, the State would be at ease.

Very Sincerely Yours,
JNO. O. TURNER,
State Supt. of Education.

In another column we publish a letter from State Superintendent J O. Turner to county Superintendent Eugene Williams, which, when we consider the fact that they are of different parties, speaks well for Mr. Williams as an official and brands as false the insinuations of a few, in the county, that Mr. Williams has made an inefficent officer. The Advocate cheerfully endorses every word of Supt. Turner's commendation and asserts without the few of successful contradiction that Shelby never had a more painstaking and faithful officer. This, the people know, and they will show their appreciation of his work by re-electing him by an increased majority.

In another column will be found the announcement of Hon. G. B. Deans as a candidate for Probate Judge, subject to the People's Party primary April 23rd. Mr. Deans is too well known to the people of Shelby to require any introduction by us. He is honest and he is competent. If elected, the interests of the widows and orphans will be protected as well as the interests of all the people of the county.

In addition to the local bar, the following attorneys are in attendance upon the circuit court this week: W. S. Cary and J. M. Reynolds, of Montevallo; W. R. Oliver and N. A. Graham, of Calera; LaTardy, of Birmingham; Wilson, of Wetumpka and S. D. Logan, of Centerville.

From now until Circuit Court closes I will give a teaspoon with every 50 cents worth of green coffee sold, and a table spoon with every dollars worth sold. This is for cash over the counter.

J. H. Hammond.

The Board of Health

To the Doctors, Midwives and Heads of Families in Shelby County, Alabama:

Having been appointed and given bond as County Health Officer for this county as required by law, I ask the kind co-operation of all good citizens in my work of getting full reports of all deaths and births occuring in this county at the end of each month. The law requires this of Doctors and Midwives if they are in attendance, if not the Head of the Family shall make the report, and in case of infectious or contageous diseases reports must be made within twenty-four hours after the character of the disease is known by the Doctor, Midwife or Head of Family.

Reports of births, deaths and contagious or infectious disease can be made to the County Health Officer or to either of the following Assistant Health Officers, to-wit:

Beat 1—Columbiana, Dr. H. I. Williams, Columbiana.

Beat 2—Spring Creek, Dr. H. C. McAdams, Shelby.

Beat 3—Calera, County Health Officer, Calera.

Beat 4—Montevalla. Dr. E. G. Givhan, Montevallo.

Beats 5 and 6—Tyler's and Helena, Dr. W. S. Hayes, Helena.

Beat 7—Longview, Dr. G. H. Smith, Pelham.

Beats 8 and 11—Yellow Leaf and Weldon, Dr. B. M. Smothers, Weldon.

Beat 9—Wilsonville, Dr. J. B. Boyer, Wilsonville.

Beat 10—Harpersville, Dr. T. G Nelson, Harpersville.

Beats 12 and 13—Highland and Bold Springs, Dr. J. M. Johnson, Highland.

Beat 15—Sterrett, Dr. J. J. DuBose, Sterrett.

Beat 16—Kelley's Creek, Dr. E. P. Chandler, Vincent.

Beat 17—Pelham, Dr. E. F. Johnson, Pelham.

Beats 14 and 18—Vandiver and Dunnavant, Dr. J. P. Abercrombie, Vandiver.

Yours very truly,
J. H. GUNN, M. D.
Health Officer for Shelby Co.

HONOR ROLL

Of Wilsonville High School for Five Weeks Ending March 11.

Second Grade—Rosella Burns.

Third Grade—Annie Boyer, Minnie Weldon, Maud Edwards, Pearle Hughs, May Dalsheim, Clarence Francis, George O'Hara.

Fourth Grade—Nellie Gwin, Parilee Bridges, Elgin Pope, Emma Weldon, Sammie Taylor, Tonie Daniel, Claude Tinney, John Gwin.

Fifth Grade—Will Gwin, Eugene Mason, Bessie Niven, Renna Taylor, Stella Huston, Ida Weldon, Helen Boyer, May Riley, Mary Stinson, Leon Pope, Maline Burns.

Sixth Grade—Eula Taylor, Percy Burns, Lizzie Taylor, Solon Hughs.

Eighth Grade—Purnie Pope, Perdie Holland.

C. A. MATHEWS,
Principal.

Coming.

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J. W. Harrell, the recently appointed agent of the Southern Railway at this place, was checked in last Tuesday. He had already been checked in as agent of the Southern Express company. Mr. Harrell is a Shelby county boy, and his many friends rejoice at his promotion.

Business in the circuit court is being dispatched as fast as possible. At the time of going to press several cases have been tried and quite a number continued.

Vincent.

"I must go, as I have a lot of reports to make out."

Mrs. W. A. Browne has returned from a visit to Sylacauga.

The store house of Harris & Son was consumed by fire last Thursday evening. It was with difficulty and heroic efforts that the store of Cosper & Glover was prevented from burning also, and if it had have caught, our whole town would have been destroyed. We are informed that the house was insured.

Rev. W. I. Sinnott gave us a splendid sermon Saturday evening We are pleased to learn he will preach for us once a month.

We noticed in the Age-Herald last week that fifteen of the Howard boy's were to spell against fifteen of the Athenium girl's in a contest, and this week we are pleased to learn that "our girl," Miss Zemma Samuel spelled down the last Howard boy, who, by the way, was a Shelby boy. Hurrah for Shelby county brains.

The Society gave a public debate last Friday evening. The subject discussed was handled well by both sides, but the judges gave their decision in favor of the negative. Miss Ethel Kidd's essay was splendid, and the music by the young ladies on guitars was very much enjoyed.

Prof. Florey and his assistants, Misses Davis and Pelham, are doing fine work in the school room: and we are proud indeed of its progress.

Mr. James Self and Miss Laura Davis attended quarterly meeting at Easonville Saturday and Sunday.

"Say, Crank, you have been joking with me, she says that she likes you better than she does me."

How was it Sunday night Miss S?

That use-to-be smothered "Kid" is visiting Columbiana.

Our young people have quite a nice time playing croquet in the afternoons.

Sockless Jerry and his sweetheart attended preaching at Harpersville Sunday. Oh! excuse me, I meant Bob's.

OCCASIONAL.

Sterrett.

Health of community not good.

Mrs. J. J. DuBose is quite sick at this writing.

Mrs. E J. Falkner is very sick, and we hope for her a speedy recovery.

Farmers are very much disturbed, having to attend court this week.

Our photographer of Sterrett, George Bilbry, and quite a crowd of the young people went on the mountain last Saturday and had several group's of the beautiful cliffs and trees taken.

The music at Mr. J. Falkner's was very nice. Come again boy's, we are always glad to hear nice music.

We learn that the young people have spent several afternoons very pleasently boat riding.

Three of our Sterrett boy's, who are with the bridge crew, spent Saturday night and Sunday with home folks. Come again boy's, we are always glad to see you.

The pottery works are progressing nicely, two kilns of ware to burn this week.

J. M. and W. H. White kindly thank their neighbors for assisting them in their heavy log rolling.

W. T. Falkner, of Dyke's mill, has moved to our town.

QUAKER.

Bamford.

Health of community good.

Rev. W. H. Sturdivant is through planting corn.

On the 11th of this month J. A. Schinid and wife, with their attorney Easters, came into our community and tryed to play a game of bluffing, but beat 5 has a bailiff that they cannot bluff. He sold the land all the same.

Most of us are rejoicing over the re-nomination of Hon. W. F. Aldrich to congress; Rev. W. H. Sturdivant for a member of the State legislature and Eugene Williams as county Supt. of Education. Every Republican and Populists of this county feel, I know, that when they send Hon. W. H. Sturdivant to the legislature to represent our county, and put Hon. Eugene Williams at the head of the educational affairs of Shelby, they are putting the right men in the right place.

MOLLY.

Saginaw Dots.

W. E. Harrison, of Montevallo, was at this place Monday.

W. H. Daviston, of Dogwood, was a visitor here Sunday.

Paul Arnold made a flying trip to Maylene Sunday.

H. C. Hale visited friends and relatives at Maylene and Dogwood Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Moreland, a tombstone agent, was in our town Thursday.

Miss Stella Arnold, who has been visiting her sister at Gurnee, returned home Sunday.

Mrs. A. M. Piper is very ill at this writing. We hope for her an early recovery.

G. Nabors, of Corinth, attended preaching at this place Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Logan, of the Howard College, preached two very interesting sermons here and at Longview Sunday.

Hubert Arnold, of Dogwood, cane up Monday to see his mother, who has been sick, but is now improving.

C. E. Hale visited friends and relatives at Dogwood Sunday.

Mr. Baggett and family have moved back to Bozeman's mill.

J. E. Morris, of the Saginaw Lumber company, transacted business in Birmingham Saturday.

Ed. Wingate and Will Walker are all smiles now, as the season of the year has come to hunt flowers and take early candle light walks with the girl's.

The writer of the Saginaw Dots can't give you any more news until he gets some pens and paper.

PRODITOR.

Lewis Blows.

Health good.

Rev. Francis delivered a very interesting sermon at Blue Spring Sunday at 3 p. m.

Rev. S. S. Crumpton preached an able and interesting sermon at Center Sunday at 11 a. m., to a large and an attentive congregation.

Strickland fever has about died out, but Edge you were certainly mistaken, for John didn't have much fever. Please don't state it any more as a serious case.

Several of our people attended divine service at Chappel Sunday.

Mr. Willie Thompson and sister, of Columbiana, accompanied by their charming niece, Miss Callie Harrell, spent Saturday night and Sunday with friends here, much to the delight of some of our boy's. How about it L. B. R?

The Messrs. Falkner, of Sterrett, were in our community Sunday. Come again boy's, you are welcome.

Mr. P. Perry, of Vincent, was visiting his father's family here Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. F. Sullivan, of near Montevallo, was a visitor to our community Sunday.

Willie Finley was the guest of Miss Alma Jackson Sunday. Come again Will, you have a tender place in the hearts of some of our girl's.

J. E. Dykes, of Simmon's Switch, attended church here Sunday.

The entertainment at Mr. Jim Taylor's Saturday night, we are glad to say, was a grand success and was greatly enjoyed by all present.

W. A. Tallant and daughter Miss Ella, of your city, were the guests of J. L. Riddle and family Sunday.

Miss Jennie Hadaway, who has been sick, is now convalescent.

Charlie Archer, of Bessemer, passed through here Sunday.

M. T. Crumpton, of the Kingdom, attended church here Sunday.

Jim Sammons, of Columbiana, accompanied by Miss Mary Hill, attended divine service at Blue Spring Sunday.

Several of the boy's of West's tank, attended church here Sunday.

S. B. Bradley and lady visited relatives on Yellow Leaf Saturday and Sunday.

SAGER.

No cure—No pay.

That is the way all druggists sell Grove's tasteless chill tonic for malaria, chill and fever. It is simply Iron and quinine in a tasteless form. Children love it. Adults prefer it to bitter, nauseating tonics. Price, 50c. For sale by

HALL DRUG CO.

July 15, 1y.

FOR RENT.

Two five-room cottages. In good condition and in desirable part of the city. For further information, apply at the Advocate office.

WAR WITH SPAIN

Seems to be Almost a Certainty.

UP AND AT EM. DOD DROT EM. LET'S WIPE THE INSOLENT CURS OFF THE EARTH.

But for the fact that we have so many bargains to offer that our store will be crowded and jammed for the next 30 days, we would be ready to join a company and leave for Cuba at once. This is no fairy tale. Run your eyes over the following prices. It will do your soul good, and make you feel ten years younger. Remember for 30 days only these extraordinary prices hold good.

PRICE LIST.

Men's fur hats,	worth	$1.00,	at $ 65	Men's white dress shirts, worth 75,	at 50
Men's fur hats,	worth	1.25,	at 95	Men's white dress shirts, worth 1.00,	at 75
Men's fur hats,	worth	2.00,	at 1.25	Men's fancy bosom shirts, worth 1.00,	at 85
Men's fur hats,	Diamond Brand, worth	$2.75,	at 2.00	Men's all wool underwear suits, worth $2.50,	at 1.50
Men's fur hats,	Diamond Brand, worth	$3.50,	at 2.50	Men's all wool underwear suits, worth $3.50,	at 2.00
Men's fur hats,	worth	50,	at 35		
Men's fur hats,	worth	75,	at 55		

DRY GOODS.

Cashmere dress goods, worth 35 cents per yard, at 20	Heavy shirting domestic, at 4½ cents per yard.
Henrietta dress goods, worth 35 cents per yard, at 20	9 oz wool doeskin Jeans, at 25 cents per yard.
Brilliantine dress goods, worth 65 cents per yard, at 45	School boy Jeans, at 15 cents per yard.
Mohair dress goods, worth 65 cents per vard, at 45	Good heavy cotton Jeans, at 10 cents per yard.
Dundee Percale, worth 12½ cents per yard, at 9	10 by 4 Pepperell sheeting, bleached and unbleached, at 18¾ cts per pard.
Dress Ginghams, worth 8 cents per yard, at 5½	Ladies' corsets, worth 75 cents, at 50c.
Good soft finish bleaching, at 4 cents per yard.	Ladies' corsets, worth 60 cents, at 40c.
Fruit of the Loom bleaching, at 8½ cents per yard.	Men's heavy overshirts, worth 50 cents, at 35 cents.
	Men's heavy overshirts, worth 75 cents, at 50 cents.

All other Dry Goods and Notions will be closed out at very low prices.

In addition to the above we shall offer magnificent bargains in SHOES. When we say bargains, we mean all that the word implies.

Don't fail to drop in and see our splendid line. If the crowd is too dense in front come around to the back door, and we will try to pull you in somehow.

Full line of GROCERIES as cheap as the cheapest.

A call at our store will convince you we mean business.

Yours for Bargains, and to whip Spain,

J. H. PAGE & SON,
Columbiana, Ala.

NEW MILLINERY.

The public are cordially invited to call and see our lovely Millinery Goods which have been selected with care and an eye to please every one. Our prices are reasonable and we are sure you have only to see our goods to buy them. We will have them on exhibition by the 9th.

Here also you can buy the Standard Sewing Machine, which is one of the best on the market. Also New Home, Singer and Davis machine needles.

Laura C. Armstrong & Co.

WATCH THIS SPACE NEXT WEEK FOR BARGAINS.

TO OUR FRIENDS.

Having bought out J. E. Seale & Co., in the drug business, we take this method of informing our friends that we propose to continue the business at the old stand.

All accounts due J. E. Seale & Co., will be paid to us, and all claims against said firm will be presented to us for payment.

WILLIAMS BROTHERS,
Columbiana, Ala.

Woman's Fate.

From the Record, Bushnell, Ill.

No woman is better able to speak to others regarding "woman's fate" than Mrs. Jacob Weaver, of Bushnell, Ill., wife of ex-City Marshal Weaver. She had entirely recovered from the illness which kept her bedfast much of the time for five or six years past, and says her recovery is due to that well-known remedy, Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

Mrs. Weaver is fifty-six years old, and has lived in Bushnell nearly thirty years. She is of unquestionable veracity and unblemished reputation. The story of her recovery is interesting. She says:

"I suffered for five or six years with the trouble that comes to women at this time of my life. I was much weakened, was unable much of the time to do my own work, and suffered beyond my power to describe. I was downhearted and melancholy.

"I took many different medicines, in fact, I took medicine all the time, but nothing seemed to do me any good.

"I read about Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and some of my friends recommended them highly. I made up my mind to try them. I bought the first box in March, 1897, and was benefited from the start.

Mrs. Jacob Weaver.

"A box and a half cured me completely, and I am now rugged and strong. I have not been bothered with my troubles since I began taking the pills.

"I have recommended the pills to many women who are suffering as I suffered. They are the only thing that helped me in the trial that comes to so many women at my age." MRS. J. H. WEAVER.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23d day of October, A. D. 1897.

O. C. HICKS, *Notary Public.*

When woman is passing beyond the age of motherhood, it is a crisis in her life. Then, if ever, proper attention to hygiene should be exercised. The attendant sufferings will disappear and buoyant health will follow if Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are used.

These pills exert a powerful influence in restoring the system to its proper condition. They contain in a condensed form all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood.

While the New England cotton mills are cutting down wages and dividends, the cotton mills in the South are running on full time. Indeed, many of them are running night and day. Even with this the orders are far in excess of the output. As a pointer, the announcement is made that the Lynchburg, Va., cotton mill has declared a semi-annual dividend of 4 per cent. on its capital of $500,000 and carried $22,000 to its reserve fund. The stock of the Lynchburg mill is held almost entirely in that city.

Leprosy in France.

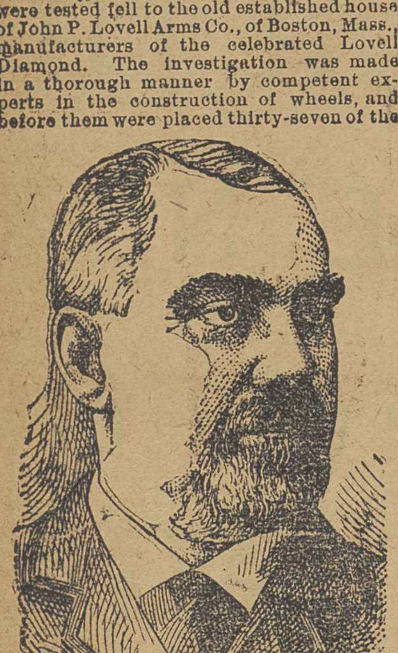
At the international congress of leprosy, which has just been brought to a conclusion at Berlin, the startling fact was elicited that the disease is very prevalent in France, especially in the northern districts thereof, and that it is on the increase. This discovery and the data furnished by the French medical authorities contributed in no small measure to the resolution voted by the Congress to the effect that leprosy is contagious.

LOVELL DIAMONDS STAND THE TEST.

Board of Experts So Decide.

Remarkable Investigation From Which the Lovell Diamond Bicycle Came Out Ahead of All Competitors.

Where there are so many makes of bicycles on the market, all of which at first sight seem to be on an equal footing to the casual observer, and still the fact is well known that there is no article in common use where it is so easy for the manufacturer to cover up the imperfections as in the bicycle, both in material and workmanship, and which cannot be detected until the machine has been given a test on the road, such an investigation as has just been completed by the best experts in the country, under the supervision of the Western Review of Commerce, is likely to be of great value to the riding public. The honor of producing the best wheel among the thirty-seven well-known makes that were tested fell to the old established house of John P. Lovell Arms Co., of Boston, Mass., manufacturers of the celebrated Lovell Diamond. The investigation was made in a thorough manner by competent experts in the construction of wheels, and before them were placed thirty-seven of the



COLONEL BENJAMIN S. LOVELL.
President of the John P. Lovell Arms Co.

leading makes. The machines were all marvels of the most recent ideas of mechanical construction, and were brought together without the slightest intimation or knowledge to the manufacturers that such a test was to take place. The practical experts composing the investigating board gradually weeded the machines down to a small number, and, after several days of careful testing of the relative merits of the machines, they were unanimous in their verdict that the Lovell Diamond was undoubtedly the best wheel made and so reported to the paper, the president of which immediately wrote the J. P. Lovell Arms company informing the latter of the investigation made and the decision reached, and this was the first intimation that the Lovell company had of the matter. The statement that the Lovell Diamond is the best bicycle built is based upon the fact that every part of the machine is made at their own factory. Previous to and including 1896 the machine bearing the name of the Lovell Diamond was manufactured for the John P. Lovell Arms Co. by outside parties, but beginning with the season of 1897, every part of every machine bearing their name plate has been constructed at the factory of the John P. Lovell Arms Co. at South Portland, Maine. This fact easily accounts for the proven supremacy of the "Lovell Diamond" over all other leading makes of the world. The Lovell Arms Company have three stores in Boston, Washington street, Broad street and Massachusetts avenue, and branch stores in Worcester, Mass., Providence, R. I., Pawtucket, R. I., Portland and Bangor, Me., besides having agents in nearly every city and town throughout the country. Their new catalogue, "Famous Diamonds of the World," free on application.

NEW YORK'S TALL POLICEMEN.

Seventy-six Six-Foot Officers Chosen For the Broadway Squad.

Having convened all the active policemen who measure better than six feet longitudinally at the Twelfth Regiment Armory yesterday afternoon, Chief McCullagh proceeded to reorganize the defunct Broadway squad, which passed out of existence under Chief Conlin. No fewer than 440 giants presented themselves in obedience to the summons, and from these in less than two hours the chief selected seventy-six men to ornament Broadway and regulate traffic. Eighteen of the old Broadway squad were chosen in the new squad. There will be two platoons under Roundsman Graham and Taggart, the tallest men in the department. These roundsmen will not only have charge of the men, but will also teach them the art of exercising command over the too exuberant cabby and the profane and reckless truckman. The men will gather at the Macdougal street and West Thirtieth street stations and report arrests there.

All the men were taken from the departments of Manhattan and the Bronx. The tallest is 6 feet 6 inches; the shortest 6 feet 1½ inch. They will have control of the crossings on Broadway from the Battery to Forty-fifth street, at present, and later more men may be added and the district extended. Not only will they be required to regulate traffic but they must also be walking directories of the various public buildings, railway routes, and street car lines. One of these days the Chief says he will call the squad up for examination on these points, and any deficiency will result in the unfortunate policeman's going back on post. Under Chief Conlin the Broadway men were attached to the precincts in which their posts lay. Not a few of them were less than 6 feet tall. Chief McCullagh believes that every member of this squad should loom up like a lighthouse in a fog, and be a conspicuous landmark for lost children and inquiring citizens alike. He says that to-day he can pick from the force 1100 men, all of them more than 5 feet 10 inches in height.—New York Sun.

Chronological Eras.

The year 1898 comprises the latter part of the 122d and the beginning of the 123d year of the independence of the United States of America. It corresponds with:

The year 6611 of the Julian period.

The year 7406-7407 of the Byzantine era, the year 7407 beginning September 1.

The year 5658-5659 of the Jewish era, the year 5659 beginning at sunset on September 16.

The year 2651 since the foundation of Rome, according to Varro.

The year 2645 since the beginning of the era of Nabonassar, which has been assigned to Wednesday, the 26th of February of the 3967th year of the Julian period; corresponding, in the notation of chronologists, to the 747th; and in the notation of astronomers to the 746th year before the birth of Christ.

The year 2674 of the Olympiads or the second year of the 669th Olympiad beginning in July, if we fix the era of the Olympiads at 775½ B. C.

The year 2210 of the Grecian era, or the era of the Seleucidae.

The year 1614½ of the era of Diocletian.

The year 2558 of the Japanese era and the 31st year of the period entitled Meiji.

The year 1315-1316 of the Mohammedan era, or the era of the Hegira, the year 1316 beginning May 22.

January 1, 1898, was the 2,414,291st day since the beginning of the Julian period.—Providence Journal.

Sparrow Bounty Frauds.

State's Attorney Morris, of Olney, Ill., has recovered Richland County orders to the amount of $500 which had been fraudulently given to six boys as bounty on sparrow heads. The boys took advantage of the infirmity of the town clerk and caused him to give orders for heads that were never received. Within three days the boys received orders on the county treasury for bounty on nearly 25,000 sparrow heads which they claimed to have killed. When the orders were presented the officials suspected something irregular. An investigation elicited a confession from the boys, and they returned the money to escape prosecution. Birds were cut into many pieces and decorated with feathers so as to appear like heads. The ages of the boys range from nineteen to fourteen years. They belong to good families.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Tough if True.

Some of the British troops in the Irish rebellion did not fight particularly well. A certain General at a Lord Lieutenant's party in Dublin was admonishing a begging woman to leave the place, when she said: "It is I that am proud to see your honor here in the red coat you wore the very day when you saved the life of my boy, little Mickie."

"Indeed," replied the General, not sorry to hear anything to his credit on such a distinguished occasion. "I had forgotten all about it. How did I save his life?"

"Well, your honor, when the battle was at its hottest your honor was the first to run, and when me little Mickie saw the General run he ran, too, the Lord be praised!"—San Francisco Argonaut.

Rice at Weddings.

A clergyman in the Eastern colonies has issued a request to his people not to throw rice at weddings, on the ground that the practice means a great deal of extra cleaning up from the church and church yard. "If you must shower something symbolic of blessings on their heads," he says, "let it be outside." If, when a bridegroom himself, he had had rice thrown in his eyes he would have taken a more serious view of the matter. I have known the best part—that is, the first part—of a honeymoon passed with an oculist instead of the bride in consequence of this custom. If the rice must be thrown, let it be boiled first.—Illustrated London News.

Jerusalem of To-Day.

Jerusalem is now nothing but a shadow of the magnificent city of ancient times. It is about three miles in circumference and is situated on a rocky mountain.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

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If the man who makes two blades of grass grow where only one grew before is called a philanthropist, what should be said of Adolph Kyle, who has made it possible to grow FIVE BALES OF COTTON on an acre of ground which heretofore rarely, if ever, produced ONE BALE? See advertisement in this paper of Jackson's African Limbless Cotton Co.

Trinidad is perhaps the principal breeding place for seabirds in the South Atlantic. The deposit of guano is consequently great. There are traces of abundant extinct vegetation.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

Bills have just been introduced in the Maryland legislature to place married women on the same legal standing as their husbands in the matter of holding or transferring property.

Chew Star Tobacco—The Best.
Smoke Sledge Cigarettes.

At a recent Hancock county (Me.) dinner, dinner was announced by pounding on the ancient warming pan, and coffee was served from the delft coffee pot, over 100 years old.

Fits permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. $2 trial bottle and treatise free DR. R.H. KLINE, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Phila., Pa.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reducing inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c. a bottle.

DYSPEPSIA, INDIGESTION and all Stomach troubles cured by Taber's Pepsin Compound. Sample bottle mailed free. Write Dr. Taber Mfg. Co., Savannah, Ga.

We have not been without Piso's Cure for Consumption for 20 years.—LIZZIE FERREL, Camp St., Harrisburg, Pa., May 4, 1894.

$400 for New Names!

The Salzer Seed Co. want suitable names for their 17 inch long corn and White Oat prodigy. You can win this $400 easily. Catalogue tells all about it. Seed potatoes only $1.50 a barrel.

SEND THIS NOTICE AND 10 CENTS IN STAMPS to John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., and get their great seed catalogue and 11 new farm seed samples, including above corn and oats, positively worth $10 00, to get a start. Send to-day; to-day, sir! A. C. 9

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Greatest, Because in cases of Dyspepsia it has a touch like magic, which just hits the spot, brings relief to the sufferer, and gives tone and strength to the stomach as no other medicine does.

Dyspepsia and Liver Trouble

"For many years I suffered almost constantly with dyspepsia complicated with liver complaint. I tried first one thing and then another and sometimes resorted to regular medical treatment, but derived no substantial benefit. I read about Hood's Sarsaparilla and Pills and concluded to give them a trial, and they effected a permanent cure." F. CHOATES, 111 W. Boulevard, New York, N.Y.

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Is America's Greatest Medicine. $1; six for $5. Sold by all druggists. Get only Hood's.

Hood's Pills are the best after-dinner pills, aid digestion. 25c.

The inventor who will produce an artificial feather that can take the place of the real article will be a benefactor to the race. Perhaps artificial feathers could be made from celluloid or of the recently invented artificial silk. With 200,000,000 plumage birds being killed every year to supply feathers for women's bonnets, it is evident that in the course of a decade or two there will be no birds worth looking at in any civilized country. The ladies have been appealed to hundreds of times to put a stop to the slaughter by consenting to a change in fashion, but so far they have shown no disposition to give up the feather fad. Men are supposed to be more heartless than women, but they do not encourage the universal slaughter of the birds by wearing feathers. As long, however, as they do not actively discourage the killing of birds by advising women not to wear plumes, they are not altogether blameless in the matter. Let us have more Audubon Societies among the young people, to teach the value and the beauty of birds and encourage their preservation. The present generation is evidently incorrigible. Perhaps a coming generation can be educated rightly in this respect.

A Virtue and A Vice.

Vanity and a proper regard for the feelings of others should both urge you to get rid of that disgusting skin disease. Whether it be a simple abrasion, a chap or a burn, or whether it is a chronic case of Eczema, Tetter or Ringworm, Tetterine will positively, infallibly cure it. Cure it so it will stay cured, too. 50c a box at drug stores, or by mail for 50 cents in cash or stamps from J. T. Shuptrine, Savannah, Ga.

At Gonoatoa, in the South Seas, every man, woman or child on that island who does not go to church three times a week is liable to be arrested and fined.

COTTON PLANTERS, ATTENTION!

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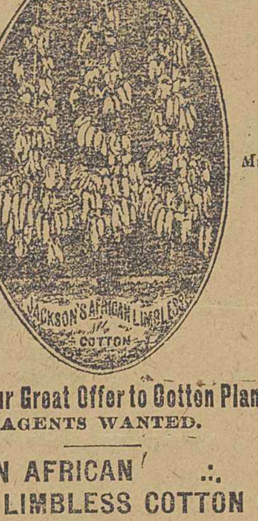
PLANTERS ARE WARNED NOT to purchase of others offering seed claiming it to be of this wonderfully prolific variety, as no seed not in our possession, or sold without our trade mark, as registered in U. S. Patent Office, can be authenticated as pure and genuine



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Write us 1st How long you have used or sold Dr. Simmons Squaw Vine Wine. 2nd State Diseases it cured. 3d Give names of those it cured. 4th State the difference between its strength and action and the strength and action of McElree's Wine of Cardui. On receipt of letter enclosing recently taken Photograph we will send you a $1.00 Bottle Squaw Vine Wine (FREE).

PROPOSITION 2.

LIVER MEDICINE CERTIFICATES.

Write us 1st How long you have known, used or sold Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine. 2nd State Diseases it cured. 3d Give names of those cured. 4th State the difference between its strength and action and the strength and action of J. H. Zeilin & Co.'s "Liver Regulator" and the Chattanooga Medicine Co.'s "Black Draught," both of which contain Woody Bulbs of Roots and Stems of Herbs, and have sold at about 6 cents per package, and should not retail at over 10 cents if consumers are not imposed upon, while Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine, made from the purest and most carefully selected Drugs, regardless of cost, with the Bulbs of the Roots and Stems of the Herbs by our secret process extracted and thrown away, cannot be sold at less than 25 cents. The reason of the difference is this: On June 30th, 1893, the Supreme Court enjoined J. H. Zeilin & Co. from manufacturing and selling medicine under the name of "Dr. Simmons' Liver Medicine."

Zeilin's answer to our bill said, the medicine was designed as "cheap negro medicine for the negroes of the Mississippi Valley." And Zeilin's manager testified in the case, and Zeilin's advertisements said "that all the Liver Medicine they make is made by the same formula." What more conclusive evidence could there be that all their Liver Medicine is "cheap negro medicine?"

Again, the United States Court, in the Zeilin case at Knoxville, Tenn., enjoined the old proprietors of the article now called "Black Draught" from perpetrating fraud by using the words constituting our trade name, and "Black Draught" was not known till after 1876; yet they falsely advertise that it was established in 1840, and filch our trade by allowing their customers to untruthfully represent it as the same as our genuine article, they giving color of truth to the deception by publishing the picture of a Dr. Simmons on their wrapper, thereby associating their article with our Dr. M. A. Simmons' Liver Medicine, which he established in 1840, and every package of which has borne his picture since 1850.

On receipt of letter enclosing a recently taken Photograph we will mail you a $1.00 Package Liver Medicine (FREE).

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Climbing Up and Down Stairs

CARRYING heavy burdens, washing, ironing, scrubbing and other laborious duties are productive of an enormous amount of suffering among women who are already weak and prostrated by the ravages of female diseases. The performance of these heavy labors is obligatory to many women, but the suffering is not. This feature of the household burdens may soon be removed if women will only take the trouble to learn how. A few bottles of

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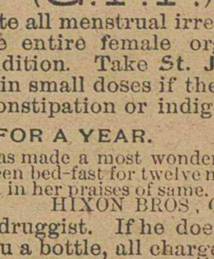

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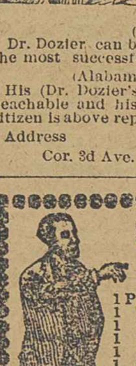

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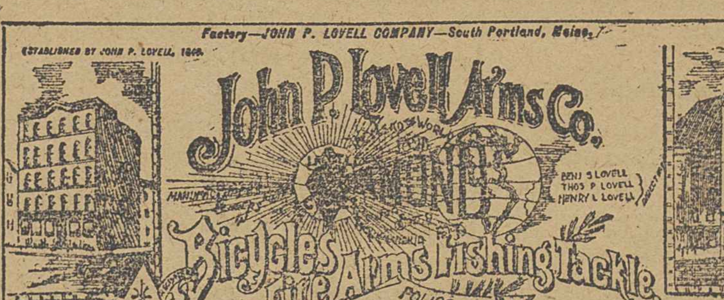

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Editor

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THE NEWS OF OUR STATE.

The Prosperous Town of Enterp ise Devastated by Fire.

NEW RAILROAD FOR NORTHEAST ALABAMA.

Muscle Shoals Power to be Utilized. Heavy Shipments of Alabama Coal South-Girl Accidentally Killed By Her Brother—Other Items.

Enterprise Devastated by Fire.

The entire business portion of the prosperous town of Enterprise was destroyed by fire the past week.

The origin of the fire is mysterious. In the early part of the evening an attempt was made to burn a small new building, which was discovered and put out. A second attempt was made, which also failed. The third attempt, however, was successful, and ere the flames from it had ceased the property loss had reached $26,000. Following is an estimate of the losses: Stokes & Holloway, $5,500; W. A. Edward, $5,550; J. C. Walden, $2,400; Brunson Bros., $1,850; J. W. Smith, $1,300; F. P. Richburg, $1,500; Heath Bros., $1,000; F. M. Whaley, $3,050; B. H. Ziegler, $1,000; Owens & White, $1,400; R. S. Williams, $1,400; Masonic Hall, $500.

There was but very little insurance on any of the property, as the town has been built within the past six months. Of the thirteen business houses only two remain, Henderson Bros. and Harrison Bros.

New Commandant at the University.

Erle Pettus, of Elkmont, has been appointed commandant at the University of Alabama by Dr. Powers, the president of the institute, and entered upon his duties March 21. Mr. Pettus graduated from the university with flattering honors in the class of '97. He is well up in military, especially the military as it exists at the university, and the president is to be congratulated on his fortunate selection of such a man to this post. In the primary election at Livingston March 19, Mr. Pettus was nominated by the democracy as representative in the next legislature. Thus he is honored at home and abroad.

They Are Ready for Action.

The three military companies in Anniston and Oxford are ready for action whenever the command comes. One of the companies, however, will be placed in a rather embarrassing position should marching orders be received within the next three or four days. The Woodstock Guards, are without guns. Three weeks ago the guards were ordered to box and ship their old guns to Springfield, Mass., to be exchanged for new guns. The guns, forty-five in number, were shipped without delay, but the new guns have not yet arrived. It is said that the guns are in Montgomery and that they will be available in a day or two.

New Railroad for Northeast Alabama.

The Southern railway will extend its Memphis division—the old Memphis & Charleston railway, from Stevenson to Chattanooga. Twelve men commenced the survey for the route the past week and the work of construction will commence as soon as practicable. This extension, it is estimated, will cost the Southern over $1,000,000, and includes another bridge over the Tennessee river at Chattanooga.

Accidentally Killed His Sister.

At Talladega, Saturday morning, Walter Johnston shot and killed his sister. The shooting was accidental, and was done with a 32-calibre pistol. The ball took effect in the girl's temple, and death was instantaneous. Walter Johnston is 17 years old; his sister was 14, and a beautiful girl. Both are children of H. C. Johnston, a well-known railroad man.

Battery at Fort Morgan.

Major W. Rossell, chief of engineers in Mobile, has received orders from the government to build immediately at Fort Morgan another battery, and he has gone to work at once ordering the material for the work, which will be rapidly pushed to completion.

Enormous Cattle Shipments.

The sale of cattle for shipment to the far west still goes on in the section around Montgomery to an alarming extent and it will soon cause a famine in this state if it is not stopped at once. There has been more than two hundred car loads shipped to the west and the buying and selling still goes on.

Judge Head Retires from the Race.

Judge James B. Head has retired from the race for associate judge of the supreme court. His reason for retiring was his health, which has lately been such as to lead him to believe that he would not be in condition for arduous work for many months.

Alleged Lynchers Acquitted.

At Scottsboro in the lynching case against Wheeler, Waymire and Buff a verdict of not guilty as to all three defendants was rendered. There was little testimony against Wheeler and Buff, but the evidence was stronger against Waymire, showing him to be one of the leaders of the mob, yet from the nature of the killing, little doubt was felt as to his ultimate acquittal.

The trial of Lum Allen, charged with murdering his son-in-law, John Wallace, ended in acquittal.

Heavy Shipment of Alabama Coal.

A tow carrying 10,000 to 12,000 tons of Alabama coal is now being prepared at Greenville, Miss,, and within the next six or ten days will be forwarded down the Mississippi to Louisiana markets by the Southern Railway's barge line. This will be the largest tow of coal that will have been sent down the Mississippi river from Greenville since the line has been established. There was a tow of about 5,000 tons that went down two weeks ago. The coal is mined in Walker county and handled by the Southern Railway to Greenville, where it is loaded in barges.

Governor's Appointments.

The governor has made the following appointments: Notaries public and justices of the peace, P. H. S. Whorter, beat 18, Blount county; J. P. Surginer, beat 10, Limestone county, Justice of peace, S. C. Knight, beat 3, Lee county. Notaries public, James A. Harrison, beat 22, Jefferson county; P. J. Doyle, Mobile; H. R. Howse, Birmingham. Constable, M. E. Cable, beat 1, Lamar county.

Montgomery Gets Populist Convention.

The state convention of the people's party will be held in Montgomery, May 4 and 5. The committee which was appointed to select the place for holding the convention was left in the hands of Chairman Dean, G. B. Crowe and Frank Baltzell. There will be about 500 delegates present.

Montgomery Buys Water Works Plant.

Montgomery, through its city council, perfected the purchase of the local water work's company's property for $420,000. W. B. Rice, of Boston, was the majority stockholder in the company. The price agreed on will be paid in 4½ per cent water works bonds.

Populists Nominate Candidates.

The populists of Tuskaloosa county have nominated candidates for county offices. The following is a list of nominations: Probate judge, B. H. Williams, present incumbent; circuit clerk, S. M. Auxford; legislature, R. L. Baker and J. D. Blocker; superintendent of education, Mark Brooks.

BRIEFLY NOTED.

At Montgomery Miss Callie Vaughan was robbed of $800 cash. Some one entered her residence and took the money from an escritoire.

The Alabama Great Southern passenger train run over and killed a small negro boy who tried to cross the track ahead of the engine near Ashville Friday.

C. W. Ashcraft, formerly owner of the Opelika Post, has recently sold that paper and will begin at once the active work looking to the erection of a big oil mill in Florence.

At Dothan, while carelessly handling a pistol, Willie Frazier, a small boy, shot his sister in the mouth. The ball came out under her ear. The wound is not at all serious.

The interest on the state debt of $225,000 will be paid in usual course July 1. But as the money is now in the treasury an effort will be made to get coupon holders to accept the money now and give a small discount.

A patriotic concert will be given in Birmingham, April 12, for the benefit of the monument fund now being made up all over the United States for the erection of a monument to the memory of the sailors who lost their lives in the blowing up of the Maine.

PURCHASING YACHTS AND TUGS.

Navy Department Secures Twelve—Will be Armored and Put Into Service.

By direction of President McKinley Secretary Long within twenty-four hours spent something more than a million dollars Thursday in the purchase of twelve speedy yachts and seagoing tugs, which will be at once converted into torpedo boat destroyers and picket boats.

In directing the purchase of yachts and tugs President McKinley was guided by the information showing that the Spanish torpedo boat flotilla has sailed from the Canary Islands for Porto Rico.

It is known that four tugs and eight yachts have been secured and will be sent to the Brooklyn navy yard, where they will be armored and their hulls and decks strengthened and their armament placed aboard. When completed they will be sent immediately to Key West, where they will be placed under command of Captain Sampson.

Bringing Out Old Monitors.

Secretary Long has ordered into service the eight old single turreted monitors used during the civil war and now lying at League Island navy yard, Philadelphia. He issued orders that the monitors Catskill and Lehigh proceed to Boston and the monitors Nahont and Jason to New York.

The other monitors, Manhattan, Mahopac, Montauk and Canonicus, will remain at Philadelphia, where the work of preparing them for service will begin immediately.

John S. Hopkins, cashier of the People's Bank, of Philadelphia, committed suicide by shooting himself with a pistol.

The Maine Wreck to be Abandoned.

The navy department has arranged for the practical withdrawal of all its naval officers at Havana and the abandonment of the wreck of the ill-fated battleship Maine. Secretary Long said in an answer to inquiry on the subject, that he saw no reason for the officers to remain at Havana much longer, and the probability was that they would be ordered home in a day or two.

The Lauderdale county grand jury returned fifty-five true bills.

WAS BLOWN UP EXTERNALLY

Says the Court of Inquiry in the Maine Explosion.

DOES NOT FIX RESPONSIBILITY ON SPAIN.

State Department Has Cabled Minister Woodford to Notify Spain of the Court's Findings—War Preparations Show Great Activity.

The court of inquiry appointed to investigate the cause of the Maine disaster has reported that the loss of the battleship was due to an outside explosion.

The state department, by direction of the president, has cabled United States Minister Woodford, at Madrid, to notify the Spanish government of this conclusion. The president and his cabinet advisers held two extended sessions Friday—one at 10:30 a. m. and another at 3:30 p. m.—at which the report was considered in detail. Members of the cabinet stated after the meeting that the discussion was of grave character, and that never since the wrecking of the Maine has the situation seemed so critical.

The Spanish government has cabled officially to Washington that the Spanish naval commission hold the disaster to the Maine to be of internal origin. The government of Spain, it can be stated positively, is not disposed to turn back the torpedo flotilla now proceeding from the Canaries, and would be disinclined to consider a suggestion from this government tending to interfere with the disposition by Spain of her own naval forces.

War preparations on an unprecedented scale are being hurried to completion by the war and navy departments, and the country practically is on a war footing.

The record of Friday is one of the most eventful days the nation has seen since the close of the civil war. It was a day of profound and important action, of the deepest anxiety, coupled with naval and military activity—one step following another in rapid succession. Representative men of the administration, public men of all branches of official and congressional life, no less than the public in general, shares in the tension to which the situation has been wrought. There was no effort at concealment among the highest officials, nor indeed was it possible, for it was clearly apparent from the developments of the day, to minimize the situation.

The Board's Report Delivered.

Commander Marix, judge advocate of the court of inquiry delivered the report of the court of inquiry to Secretary Long early Friday morning and shortly after it was carried to the white house and placed in the hands of the president. At 10:30 the cabinet assembled, half an hour earlier than usual, and began the consideration of the momentous document. Even the rigid rules of secrecy which prevailed at cabinet meetings were made doubly in this case and no intimation of the results reached by the court were known until 2 o'clock, when an Associated Press bulletin gave the information to the country as well as to other waiting officials. These results, briefly stated, are that the loss of the Maine was due to an explosion from the outside, the court being unable to fix the responsibility for the explosion. The court does not express an opinion as to the character of the explosion, but the testimony goes to show that it was a powerful submarine mine, the exact character of which is not determined by the testimony, though the belief was expressed that it was a floating submarine mine.

There were two explosions, the court finds—the first was from the outside and that set off one of the smaller magazines. It was this result, expressed in detail and with the precision of a court deeply conscious of its responsibility, together with the evidence on which it was based, that occupied the attention of the cabinet throughout its extended sessions of the morning and afternoon. All other and lesser subjects gave way to this foremost question. There was no change in the plan of making the report public and transmitting it to congress early next week, accompanied by a brief message of the president.

STARVATION AND DISEASE

Prevail in Manzanillo, and the Condition of Troops Is Terrible.

A private letter from Manzanillo, received at Kingston, Jamaica, by schooner, says the condition of the Spanish troops there is terrible. It adds that starvation and disease prevail everywhere, and that the government forces have sustained heavy losses in recent skirmishes with the insurgents, the wounded having been brought to town by cart loads. The letter says, in conclusion, that even without intervention of the United States the war cannot last two months longer.

MAINE'S MORTUARY RECORD.

Two Hundred and Fifty-nine Men and Two Officers Lost Their Lives.

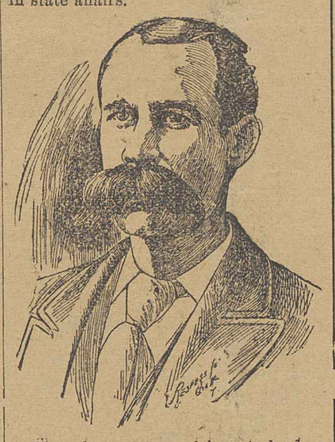
Chaplain Chadwick has completed his mortuary report, which shows that 259 men and two officers perished in the catastrophe, six succumbed to their injuries in the San Ambro hospital in Havana, one died on the Spanish transport Colon. One hundred and seventy-one bodies have been recovered from the wreck, of which sixty-one have been identified; 161 have been buried in Colon cemetery and eleven at Key West. This is the official report, made public after careful compilation.

PROMINENT ALABAMIANS.

John H. Parker, a Unique Character in State Affairs.

Among the prominent men of Alabama who have attracted the attention of the people on account of their knowledge of affairs, is John H. Parker, of Elmore, formerly of Coosa county.

Mr. Parker has been a prominent member of the Alabama bar for nearly a quarter of a century, and is universally popular among the members of his profession and of the bench. He has served the democratic party unfalteringly and untiringly during that time, and has ever had the absolute faith and confidence of his co-workers in state affairs.



Though never aspiring to leadership, his zeal and fidelity has commended him to nearly every position, from beat committeeman to service on the state executive committee.

Mr. Parker is a great personal friend of Governor Johnston, having made a faithful fight in his section of the state for the governor's election. He is not only a man of learning in the law and the economic questions of the day, but his big heart and sympathy have won for him legions of friends all over Alabama. No man of his age in the state has received more enthusiastic compliments from the press and prominent leaders of the party. He has recently announced his candidacy for chancellor of the Northeastern division of Alabama, and such men as Col. Thos. Williams, known as the "old war horse" of democratic principles, in harness for fifty years, and many such men in his section of the state, have flocked to his support and are endorsing his candidacy. There are several good men in this race, but Mr. Parker's friends are enthusiastic and are working hard for his election.

This gentleman's innate conception of true hospitality adds to his personality a dignity seldom found in men of his broad generosity and love of his fellowmen.

No more can be said of a citizen than that he is modest, learned, faithful to his every trust and beloved of his neighbors, and this can all be said of John Parker.

Fletcher J. Cowart.

Fletcher J. Cowart, who is the leading candidate for the democratic nomination for superintendent of education of the state of Alabama, was born in Pike county and was educated in the common schools and at the Auburn College. For several years he taught at Brundidge; afterwards edited the Troy Messenger; was superintendent of education of Pike county from 1877 to 1880, and again from 1894 to 1896, thus having several years experience in the important work of administering the county school system. In 1880 he was elected to the state legislature from Pike, and again in 1882. Throughout his legislative service he was a prominent member of the house committee on education, and bore an important part in the shaping of useful legislation on the state's public school system. From 1885 to 1889 he was United States Indian Agent in New Mexico, in which position he won the thanks of the secretary of the interior for able and efficient service, especially in the management of the reservation schools. The board of trustees of the Troy graded schools has found in him one of its most zealous and progressive members. In 1893 he was chosen superintendent of these schools and has been re-elected without opposition each year since that time.

Mr. Cowart is held in high esteem in Masonic circles in Alabama, as is evidenced by his being a past grand commander of the Knights Templar of the state.

He has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal church from his youth.

Mr. Cowart is a friend of common schools and an earnest worker for their betterment. Able, cultured and experienced, eminently successful in every public trust he has held, thoroughly consecrated to the great cause of education, he would be an ideal chief executive of Alabama's educational department.—Montgomery Journal.

Sharpshooters Organizing.

Col. Frank D. Bartlett and Dr. B. F. Wooding, of Denver, Col., are enrolling 500 young men, experts in the use of the rifle, who will offer their services to President McKinley in case of war. The organization will be known as the Rocky Mountain Sharpshooters.

Made a Rich Haul.

It is believed that the two men who robbed the train near Goshen, Cal., secured not less than $50,000.

Everybody interested in seeing the latest developments in high-grade wheels should send a postal to the John P. Lovell Company, Boston, Mass., for their new catalogue. It contains valuable information.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF TRADE.

Unsettled Relations With Spain Affect Eastern Business.

IRON BUSINESS CONTINUES TO BOOM.

Cotton Goods Have Not Improved—Decline in Print Cloths Have Taken Place—Flour and Corn Exports Larger Than Last Week.

Bradstreet's commercial report says: The favorable features of the week in distributive trade have been the reports coming, with few exceptions, from all parts of the northwest and west. The unsettled condition of our relations with Spain is credited with exercising some effect upon immediate demand and future undertakings in the eastern portion of the country. But two industries, cotton and woolen, most complaining are those on which conditions other than foreign complications have for some time past been toward depression. The coarse cotton goods situation does not improve in any way and declines in print cloths to a still lower record quotation have taken place. While some woolen goods mills have already booked good orders the business done as a whole has not been up to anticipations. Raw wool, however, does not reflect the rather unsatisfactory condition in the manufactured product in lower quotations. The condition of the iron and steel trade is one which excites satisfaction and almost surprise. From a number of widely separated sections the report comes of unprecedented activity in nearly all branches of the trade.

Pig iron is higher at several markets and efforts toward harmonizing producing elements in crude and manufactured products are being assiduously pushed. Modern steel plants are reported rushed with orders and demands more than keep up with the deliveries.

The passage of the cold wave, with little or no reported damage to the growing winter wheat, coupled with the general forward condition of agricultural matters is credited with much of the depressing influence in cereals.

Flour and corn exports are larger this week, but those of wheat are smaller. The total exports of wheat, including flour, aggregate 3,896,318 bushels against 3,679,000 bushels last week and 1,749,000 bushels in this week a year ago.

Corn exports aggregate 4,496,000 bushels against 3,941,874 bushels last week and 5,862,687 bushels this week a year ago.

GLADSTONE NEARING THE END.

His Family Admits That His Case Is Hopeless.

From London the news comes that Mr. Gladstone is dying of a cancerous growth involving the bone issues back of the nasal passages. The melancholy truth is now admitted privately by his son, Mr. Herbert Gladstone, and other members of his family. The unanimous verdict of several specialists who have been consulted regarding the case is that operation is impossible owing to the age and enfeebled condition of the patient. It would be possible to afford considerable relief and also to prolong life by surgical means if Mr. Gladstone were younger, but his heart already threatens failure to perform its functions, and the surgeons are of the opinion that the administration of anesthetics would result in immediate death.

MUST CONTAIN WAR CLAUSE.

English Ship Builders Cable Their Agents to Insert in Charters.

An ominous sign that the strained relations between the United States and Spain will result in war is furnished by English ship owners, who have cabled to their agents at New York that all charters must contain the "war clause." This clause, which is posted in the maritime exchange, is as follows:

"It is understood this steamer is to be only employed in strictly neutral trades; is not to carry contraband cargo or trade with ports declared under blockade; also in the event of war being declared by or against Great Britain by a maratime power this charter is to be null and void at the then current voyage."

KENTUCKY AND KEARSARGE,

The Twin Battleships, Launched at Newport News Dry Docks.

The twin battleships Kentucky and Kearsarge were launched from the yards of the Newport News dry docks of the ship building company Thursday, in the presence of an immense crowd. There was not a hitch in the programme, and cheers from 30,000 throats greeted the latest additions to the United States navy as they slid from the ways, the prow of one sprinkled with foaming champagne, the other christened with pure water from the home of Abraham Lincoln.

Japan's Demands on Russia.

A report from Yokohama that Japan has requested Russia to evacuate Port Arthur finds credence in the Japanese press, which regards the recall of M. Alexieff, the Russian customs agent at Seoul, as a sign that Russia has changed her policy in regard to Corea.

France Desires Peace.

Referring to the relations between the United States and Spain, M. Hanotaux, the French foreign minister, said he could see no necessity for a conflict and that France desired above all the maintenance of peace.

DEBT THERMOMETER.

AS EXPLAINED TO JOHNNY BY HIS TEACHER.

If You Change the Scale on the Thermometer It Goes All Wrong—To Create a Debt on the Bimetallic Scale and Then Force Payment on the Gold Scale Is Dishonest.

Teacher—Stand up, Johnny, and tell the class what is a thermometer.

Johnny—A thermometer is an instrument for showing how hot it is.

Teacher—How is a thermometer usually made, and how does it operate?

Johnny—There is a glass tube with mercury in it, and a bulb at the bottom opening into the tube. The bulb is full of mercury. The tube is only partly full of mercury, and there is no air in the tube or bulb, both being closed. The tube is placed close to a scale or index, marked with figures, the big figures at the top. When the weather is hot mercury swells, and the mercury in the bulb and tube expands. As the tube is closed the mercury has no other place to go, and as it swells it must rise in the tube. So when it is hot the top of the mercury is opposite a big figure, and when it is cold the top of the mercury is opposite a small figure on the scale.

Teacher—Very well stated, Johnny. Now, suppose some one should slip the scale down without moving the tube; would the top of the mercury still indicate the temperature?

Johnny—I think the thermometer would be wrong, sir; but I don't quite understand how it would work. Will you please explain it to us?

Teacher—I will do so, Johnny, for I wish the class to understand the necessity of using every instrument carefully, and to show you how an instrument may deceive you if it is out of order, or has been tampered with. The standard thermometer is made very carefully, about as Johnny has described. The tube must be of exactly the same internal diameter throughout its length. The tube is carefully sealed when the mercury is put in and the air has been exhausted. The bulb is plunged in boiling water, and as boiling water is always 212 degrees Fahrenheit, the mercury rises in the tube to the place it will always reach at the boiling point of water, and the place is marked on the tube. The bulb is then plunged into a mixture of salt and ice, which was once supposed to be the coldest thing in the world, and the mercury shrinks and goes down in the tube, so that its top is at zero, and it will always go to this place when the bulb is in this mixture or in a place equally cold. Thus the two extremities are marked, to which the mercury will rise and fall.

Having found the distance between the freezing and boiling points of water, this distance is divided into 212 equal parts according to the Fahrenheit scale or 100 parts according to the centigrade scale, and these distances or degrees are marked on a card or plate, which is carefully attached to the glass tube, so that the zero point on the tube and on the scale shall be exactly opposite.

You can readily understand that if the scale moves up or down, so that the zero on the scale is not at the proper zero on the tube, the thermometer will not tell the true temperature. So if you change the scale, by applying a centigrade scale instead of a Fahrenheit scale, while the zero may be the same, the degree of temperature indicated by the top of the mercury will be quite different on the two scales, or if the top figure corresponds the zero will be wrong.

If the scale were printed on rubber or other elastic material, which can be stretched, by stretching the scale or index the mercury in the tube can be made to appear to indicate almost anything on the scale.

Now, I wish the class to apply the same reasoning to another matter. This country at one time incurred a great debt, called the national debt. The height of this debt was marked on a scale, indicating dollars, not degrees. These dollars were on what is called the bimetallic scale, and were each worth at that time less than one bushel of wheat, or less than five pounds of cotton. The highest point reached on the scale of debt was about $2,700,000,000. After the people of the United States had been working very hard to bring down this debt, it is proposed to substitute a different scale or index, called a monometallic or gold-standard scale. Some say this change of standard has actually been made. The dollars or degrees on this scale are very different from the dollars or degrees on the bimetallic scale, being each worth about two bushels of wheat or ten pounds of cotton. This new index shows the top of the debt to be at about the same mark as on the bimetallic scale, but some people are beginning to see that it will take twice as much work to bring down the debt to zero by the new scale as by the old scale, and they fear they may never be able to accomplish it.

Johnny—Please, sir, why don't the people have the same scale they used when they made the debt? It seems to me that is the only proper way.

Teacher—You are right, Johnny. If they were making a new themometer or a new debt, it would not matter what scale they adopted, so the zero point was right, and the same scale adhered to. But having made the debt on one scale, to adopt another till the debt is paid is as dishonest and misleading as it would be to apply a centigrade index to a Fahrenheit thermometer, or to move the zero point or to stretch the scale.

WALLACE A. BARTLETT.

POINTS FROM THE PRESS.

All men are born free and equal, but most of them don't believe it.—San Francisco Star.

With the witnesses who were summoned to testify in the Hanna bribery case, silence is golden.—Phoenix Gazette.

The price of iron and steel has advanced and the wages of the workers have been reduced. This is in strict accord with the supply and demand! Or is it the cost of production regulating the price?—Appeal to Reason.

Bryan demanded a direct legislation plank in the Chicago platform.—Minneapolis Representative.

We would advise the country to watch events closely during these exciting times incident to the Maine disaster. If there is not a bond deal connected with it, we shall be greatly surprised.—Silver Knight-Watchman.

The workingmen of Cleveland know Mark Hanna of old. He may protest that he is not a labor union crusher, and protest again and again; but they know that the bones of all the slaughtered unions of Cleveland are piled up before his front door. A tardy denial now can have no effect, against their own memories and the newspaper reports of the time when he made his anti-union crusade. Even today Mark Hanna cannot muster a corporal's guard of union workingmen in all the establishments he owns in Cleveland. His organ, too, the Cleveland Leader, is known everywhere among printers as a "rat office."—Cleveland Recorder.

Then you do not think Mr. Reed is as bad as he appears? Of course not. He is simply part of a machinery to break up and destroy our representative system, and he is so involved in the cog-wheels of gold rascality that he has to move with the machinery or be ground to atoms.—Silver Knight-Watchman.

In these days when public officials are so subservient to aggregated wealth, as represented in the great corporations, it is positively refreshing to become aware of such a man as Commissioner of Insurance McNall of the state of Kansas. This competent and brave public servant has just begun a new campaign against the corruption of the great life insurance companies, and the indications are that before these octopi are through with him they will know how to do their duty to the people. The latest action of Mr. McNall, taken last week, was to require from the corporations of this state a statement of the sums which may have been expended by them for political purposes. Mr. McNall has learned that at least two of the corporations have made plans to purchase legislation in the state of Kansas, and he proposes to find out all about the business.—Twentieth Century.

Why Not?

If the eminent financiers whom Secretary Lyman J. Gage has invited to suggest a currency plan that will make their business prosperous cannot agree upon some plan it would be remarkable. So it is altogether likely that in a short time we will have a plan that will make at least one business prosperous. Now why would it not be a good idea to ask parties engaged in other lines of business what laws they would like to have enacted that would make their business prosperous? For instance, men who have been engaged in the business of raising horses have not been very prosperous for several years. Then again other "business men" who have been engaged in the business of stealing horses have not had as good laws for the protection of their business as some other lines of business. In fact, some of the laws passed have actually discriminated against their interests. Men engaged in the raising of poultry could without doubt suggest laws that would make their business more profitable. Gentlemen engaged in the business of stealing chickens could make suggestions in regard to laws that would have a tendency to increase their profits. Men engaged in the business of wrecking trains could have their business as well protected by law as the business of wrecking railroads has been. In short, all of the different lines of business could be made prosperous by laws for their benefit. Provided, the laws were so framed that what was beneficial to one industry did not conflict with the prosperity of other industries.—E. L. Smith.

The Plundered Workers.

What! A hundred barrels of wine in the cellar of the master, and for the exhausted slave only water from the river?

What! A hundred mantles in the presses, and only rags for the groaning slave?

Who is it that planted the vine, gathered and pressed the grape? The slave. Who, then, has a right to drink the wine? The slave.

Who is it that sheared the sheep, spun the wool, wove the mantles? The slave.

Who, then, should wear the mantle? The slave.

Up, ye poor and oppressed! Up! Rise!—Eugene Sue.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR PROBATE JUDGE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Probate Judge of Shelby County, subject to the action of the primary election to be held on the 23rd of April, 1998.

A. P. LONGSHORE.

The Advocate is authorized to announce G. B. Deans as a candidate for Probate Judge of Shelby county, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to be held April 23rd, 1898.

FOR CIRCUIT CLERK.

The friends of John P. Pearson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on 23rd of April, 1898.

The friends of R. T. Johnson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on the 23rd of April, 1898.

We are authorized to announce John H. Leonard as a candidate for Clerk of the Circuit Court of Shelby county, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to held April 23rd 1898.

FOR COMMISSIONER.

The friends of W. N. Gilbert announce him as a candidate for commissioner from the Second District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to be held April 23rd 1898.

EDITOR ADVOCATE—Please announce Mr. D. C. Davis as a candidate for re-election to the office of Commissioner, from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the Populist and Republican parties, and oblige.

MANY FRIENDS.

The friends of John T. Glaze announce him as a candidate for Commissioner from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, on the 23rd of April, 1898.

Mr. Editor.—Please announce W. C. Powers as a candidate for Commissioner from the second district, subject to the action of the Populist and Republican parties.

MANY FRIENDS.

Primary Election Notice.

By authority of the county executive committee, a primary election will be held at the various voting places in Shelby county, on Saturday, April 23rd, 1898, for the purpose of electing candidates for Representative, Probate Judge, Circuit Clerk, County Superintendent of Education and Commissioners from the 2nd and 4th commissioners districts.

At the same time the populists of each beat will elect three executive committeemen to serve two years.

The populist executive committee of each beat will act as managers of the election and send up the certified returns to the county executive committee, which will meet at the court house at 12 m., on Monday, April 25th, for the purpose of counting the vote and declaring the result.

JNO. W. PITTS,
Chairman.

J. F. MCGRAW,
Secretary.

The populists of St. Clair county will hold their primary election today.

The populists of Tuscaloosa county held a mass meeting last week and nominated a full ticket for county officers.

Maj. Andrews, the engineer in charge of the government work at locks three and four on the Coosa river, has been ordered to Pensacola.

State health officer Dr. Sanders was called to Livingston last week to investigate a suspicious case of sickness in the Normal school. It was a little eruptive sickness, which Dr. Sanders pronounced a mild case of chicken pox, and apprehension is entirely abated.

Preparations for War.

Ordinarily the making of extensive preparations for war takes money out of the channels of productive industry, where it is usefully employed in adding to the wealth of the country, and ties it up in non-productive or rather destructive works, as all engines of war are. But in the case of our present war preparations this is not so. We are not required to raise moneys for our war preparations by increasing taxes or by putting a loan on the market and so drawing money out of the channels of industry. We went through this distressful business of drawing money from the channels of industry several years ago when Mr. Cleveland floated bond issue after bond issue for gold and locked the proceeds up in the Treasury until a beneficent deficit gradually drew it out in part and put back into circulation the money that had been taken out by the bond issues. This drawing of money out of circulation and locking it up in the Treasury was followed, of course, by all the effects of currency contraction, it resulted in crushing down prices, undermining the profits of industry and so chilling the wheels of trade and commerce. But having gone through this experience several years since, having felt the effects and having still in the Treasury much of the money that was then accumulated, we are relieved from the necessity of repeating it now to get money to make preparations for war. Already having the money in the Treasury no loan is required, no withdrawal of money from industrial channels to meet expenditures in preparation for war is necessary, but, on the contrary, so far as those expenditures are made in the United States money, for a long time locked up in the Treasury, will be put back into circulation.

And so, as "Matthew Marshall" says in the New York Sun, these expenditures will "increase instead of diminishing the supply of floating capital. The money will be employed in stimulating into activity industries which were previously dormant, and which, although they will not create wealth of a kind which tends to produce additional wealth, will add the money expended upon them to the other money in circulation, and thus tend to raise the prices of all kinds of salable property, including income yielding securities."

From a rock ribbed gold source the above is a striking admission of the soundness of the Populist tenet that more money would raise prices and enliven trade, enliven trade because money would be made cheaper and man worth more.—The American.

The Republican State Executive Committee held a meeting at Birmingham last Monday and decided to hold a State convention at Montgomery June 7th, for the purpose of putting out a full ticket for State officers. The McKinley administration was endorsed, as was also Col. Wm. Vaughan as chairman of the State committee.

Quite a sensation was created over in Lamar county last week, by the arrest of several prominent farmers for white-capping. A detective sent there by Gov. Johnston, worked the case up. One of the parties arrested made a confession, and gave the whole crowd away. It looks now, as if a number of them will pay the penalty of their dastardly crime.

The message of President McKinley to Congress on the Main affair is a conservative, statesman like document that will commend itself to every thinking man. It is fortunate for the country that we have a man as chief executive who will look to the interest of the whole country in the settlement of this vexed question.

We publish in another column a letter from John S. Storrs, which contains some excellent advice to the farmers of Alabama and the South. Mr Storrs is a native of Shelby county, and is well and favorably known to most of the old citizens of the county. Read his letter.

Hon. Thomas E. Watson, who was nominated by the populists of Georgia for Governor, declined to accept the nomination, saying he could not be elected, no matter how many votes he received. Mr. Watson announces that he is out of politics for good.

A Cross Slander.

We clip the following from the Washington Post for the purpose of denouncing it in terms as forcible as we can command. It says:

The Navy Department has closed a contract for 25,000 tons of coal, to be delivered at such points and at such times as the department shall hereafter designate. It is understood that it is Senator Hanna's company which undertakes to deliver the coal.

The man who would intimate that the Navy Department, or any other department under President McKinley's administration, would favor Senator Hanna with a contract for coal without giving all the world an opportunity to compete in furnishing the United with that necessary article, would denounce St. Paul's conversion as a political trick. Senator Hanna may have the best coal, and he may have it located at every port on both the Atlantic and the Pacific, where he will sell it cheaper than anybody else, and in that way have an opportunity to furnish the United States with coal, but he has not, and never has had, the slightest show of making any contract with the United States with McKinley as President unless every circumstance connected with the transaction was favorable to the government, and more favorable than could be obtained from any other person. This is affirmed by every free silver Democrat, silver Republican, and Populist in the United States, however much the go'dites may doubt it; and we challenge the Post or any other hide-bound Republican sheet to deny it.—Silver Knight-Watchman.

One Cent for Veterans.

The railroads in the Southeastern Passenger Association will grant a rate of 1 cent a mile traveled for the United Confederate Veterans' reunion, to be held in Atlanta in July. This rate is to be extended to other associations for basing purposes, provided the other associations grant a rate of 1 cent a mile.

This was arranged at the meeting this week of the conference committee at St. Augustine. The application for rates for the Grand Army of the Republic's reunion at Cincinnati next September, was postponed.—Constitution.

There arr hon st men in politics, but it does not pay to go around with a lamp in search of them, and it will be well for the Peoples party to keep a weather eye open for the pirates who betrayed the Peoples party at St. Louis in 1896.

Dr. Francis E Clark, the founder of the Christian Endeavor Association, was in Montgomery and Birmingham last week. He was on a tour of inspection of the work of the association in the Southern States.

The Associated Press report that Minnesota Populists docided in favor of fusion was false. They decided for a straight, independent course, and denounced fusion.—Morgan's Buzz Saw.

Dr. B. W. Tool, a prominent physician of Talladega, died in the Davis infirmary at Birmingham last week, where he had gone to have an operation performed.

Who Can Measure

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A Good Advice to Farmers.

Editor Constitution—From what I believe to be inside information, I think war with Spain is inevitable. The threatening conditions that exist from the Maine incident, coupled with the fact that Don Carlos is scheming to usurp the throne of Spain, towards which end his followers are encouraging the war sentiments, gives color to the threatening conditions. I further believe that if war is declared it will be a long and desperate one. Knowing the influence that you have in any cause that you espouse, I am prompted to suggest for the benefit of the southern planters, that you encourage the planting of more corn and less cotton, upon the theory that all cereals will bring good values, while cotton will suffer if war is declared. Should it be averted, you will have done the southern planters a great good in using the argument that you can produce through the existing conditions, by which the benefits of a surplus corn crop and limited cotton crop would be naturally felt.

The farmers as a class are not great thinkers, and as "war" talk has continued so long they have lost confidence in it, and it seems to me you would do the south a great good by carrying out my suggestion.

JOHN S. STORRS.

Cincinnati, O., March 23, 1898.

The State Convention.

The committee appointed for that purpose, by the State Executive Committee, consisting of Messrs. Deans, Crowe and Baltzell have selected Montgomery as the place of holding the State Convention May the 4th. The convention will be held in Opera House, as that can be obtained cheaper than the Capitol building.

Summer Homes' Folder, '98.

Mr. W. A. Turk, General Passenger Agent of the Southern Railway, is collating information for Summer Homes' Folder for the ensuing Summer, giving the names of proprietors, postoffice addresses, at or near what station, conveyance used, number of guests, terms per day, week and month. This information will be printed in an attractive form and a large edition published and distributed by the various agents of this immense system throughout all sections of the country. Persons contemplating taking boarders for the ensuing Summer are requested to apply to the nearest railroad agent for blank to be filled out giving the above information, and forward at once to W. A. Turk, General Passenger Agent, Washington, D. C., so that it may reach him not later than April 1st.

"No, sir" said rabid free thinker, "the idea that there is a God never for a moment has entered my head."

"Same way with my dog," replied the deacon, "but he doesn't go around howling about it."—Chicago News.

Convenient Schedules East.

Parties contemplating a trip to the east should go via Southern Railway, through Asheville and the "Land of the Sky." The service via this route is excellent and the schedule is as follows: Leave Selma 9:35 a. m.; Leave Columbiana 12:01 p. m.; Arrive at Rome 4:35 p. m.; Arrives Chattanooga 7:20 p. m.; Leave Chattanooga 10:00 p. m.; Arrive Knoxville 1:10 a. m.; Arrive Hot Springs 4:00 a. m.; Arrive Asheville 5:10 a. m.; Arrive Salisbury 9:30 a. m.; Arrive Lynchburg 3:51 p. m.; Arrive Washington 9:35 p. m.; Arrive Philadelphia 2:56 a m.; Arrive New York 6:23 a. m. This is a solid train Chattanooga to Salisbury, carrying day coaches. Baggage and Express and Elegant Pullman Drawing Room Sleeping Car through without change, connecting at Salisbury with United States Fast mail train, carrying Pullman Drawing Room Sleeping Cars Salisbury to New York, without change.

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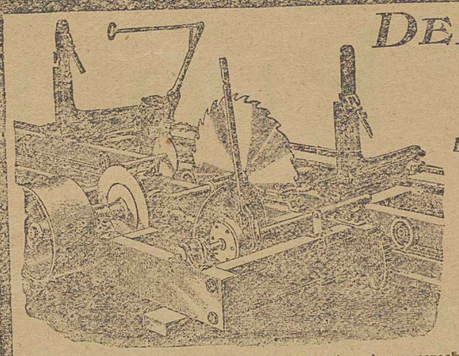

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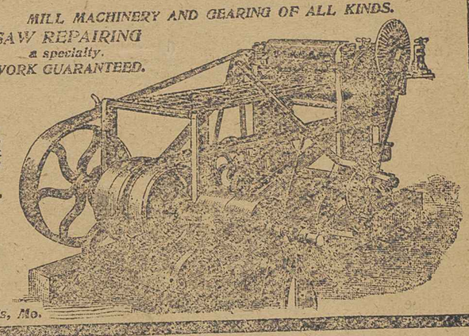

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	No. 20	STATIONS.	No. 19	
.....	3.25pm	lv ..Selma.. ar	11.28am	.....
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4.20am	5.45am	lv ..Akron.. ar	6.45pm	6.45pm
5.5 am	7.13am	..Greensboro...	5.25pm	5.37pm
7.23am	7.49am	....Marion.....	3.3?pm	4.20pm
8.30am	8.52am	...Marion Jct..	2.35pm	3.4 pm
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.....	2.40pm	..Jacksonville..	12.38pm	.....
.....	3.05pm	...Piedmont....	12.15pm	.....
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.....	8.10	6.29	....Anniston....	9.15	7.42	.....
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.....	9.05	7.43	..Edwardsville..	8.19	6.50	.....
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STATIONS.	No. *12	No. *16
Lv Rome	.....	4.45pm
Lv Knoxville	8.25am	9.5?pm
Ar Morristown	9.50am	10.55pm
Ar Hot Springs	1.15pm	1.30am
Ar Asheville	6.40pm	6.00am
Ar Salisbury	9.52pm	8.50am
Ar Greensboro	7.10am	11.45am
Ar Raleigh	.....	5.20pm
Ar Norfolk	.....	.....
Ar Washington	6.12am	9.25pm
Ar New York	12.43pm	6.23am

No. 12 carries Pullman Sleeping car from Chattanooga to New York via Asheville.

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STATIONS.	No. 9
Lv Rome	4.45pm
Ar Chattanooga	7.30pm
Ar Cincinnati	7.20am
Ar Louisville	7.27am

No. 9 Pullman Sleeping car Rome to Cincinnati and Chattanooga to Louisville without change.

STATIONS.	No. 33	No. 33
Lv Atlanta	12.01pm	11.50pm
Ar Charlotte	8.?.pm	9.00am
Ar Danville	12.00am	1.30pm
Ar Lynchburg	1.58am	3.59p m
Ar Charlottesville	3.41am	5.?.p m
Ar Washington	8.42am	9.?.p m
Ar Baltimore	8.?2am	11.?0p m
Ar Philadelphia	11.15am	2.41a m
Ar New York	12.43p m	4.25a m

No. 33 "Washington and Southwestern Limited" Solid Pullman Vestibule train Atlanta to New York, carrying Pullman Sleeping car Birmingham to New York. Dining car Atlanta to Birmingham to New York.

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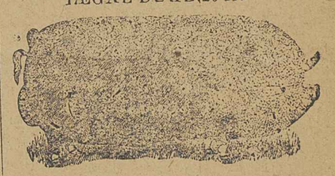

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E. A. BISHOP,
TALLADEGA, ALA

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of one Fi. Fa. issued from the Circuit Court of Shelby County, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell in front of the Court House, in the town of Columbiana, on the 23rd day of March, 1898, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

One bay horse, name Charley; one, one-horse wagon and harness; Fifty bushels of corn, more or less; 880 pounds fodder, more or less; 15 bushels of cotton seed; one grindstone.

Levied upon as the property of T. C. May, to satisfy said Fi. Fa. in my hands in favor of V. A. Davidson.

This 9th day of March, 1898.

E. F. VEST, Sheriff.

The above sale has been postponed until April 4th, 1898.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of one Fi Fa, issued from the Chancery Court of Shelby county, Sixth District north-eastern chancery division, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell in front of the court house in the town of Columbiana, Ala., on the 21st day of March, 1898, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

The east half of the northeast quarter, section 34, township 21, range 3 west, Also one dwelling house and lot in the town of Montevallo, said house is now occupied by H. R. Wells, formerly known as the Tom Wells house; bounded on the south by the Sam Allen lot, fronting street running from foot bridge to Southern Railroad. All in Shelby County, Ala.

Levied upon as the property of H. R. Wells, to satisfy said Fi Fa in my hands in favor of the American Mortgage Company of Scotland, Limited.

This 14th day of February, 1898.

E. F. VEST Sheriff.

The above sale has been postponed until April 25th, 1898.

APPLICATION TO SELL LAND

STATE OF ALABAMA, SHELBY COUNTY. } PROBATE COURT SHELBY COUNTY ALA.

Under and by virtue of an order and decree of the Honorable D. R. McMillan, Judge of Probate for Shelby county, Ala., I, as administrator of the estate of William Booth, deceased, will sell at public ouc ery, to the highest bidder for cash, at Montevallo, Ala., on Wednesday, the 16th day of March, 1898, during the legal hours of sale, for the purpose of distribution among the heirs of said place, all the following described real estate belonging to the estate of William Booth deceased, viz: The northeast quarter of the southeast quarter, and part of the southeast quarter of the northeast qnarter of section 20, township 21, range 4 west, containing 74 acres more or less, and situated in Shelby county, Ala.

This the 22d day of February, 1898.

E. F. VEST,
Administrator of the Estate of William Booth Deceased.

The above sale has been postponed until April 11th, 1898.

No Cure--No Pay.

That is the way Porter's Antiseptic Healing Oil is sold for Barbed Wire Cuts, Burns, Scratches, Cracked Heel, Saddle Galls, Old Sores and all kinds of inflamations on man or beast. Price 25 cents. For sale by,

HALL DRUG CO.

July 21, 1y,

THE-:-PEOPLE'S-:-ADVOCATE

SOCIAL AND LOCAL NEWS.

Points About People You Know and Some You Don't Know. News From Different Beats.

J. R. White spent Sunday in Birmingham.

W. A. Dunham, of Bessemer, was in the city Sunday.

W. D. Railey, of Vincent, is in the city this week attending court.

Judge Geo. E. Brewer spent Sunday with his family in Talladega.

Rev. H. M. Millstead preached at the Methodist church Sunday night.

Miss Mary Milner 'eft yesterday for Anniston to visit relatives and friends.

Mrs. Alice Finley, of Calera, visited her fathers family in the city this week.

T. J. Martin and Judge John Russell, of Harpersville, were in the city Monday.

Mrs. Ross, of Jacksonville, visited her daughter, Mrs. F. Mynatt, several days last week.

Tom Evans, of the Southern Railway, spent several days in the city this week with his family.

W. A. Weaver left last Saturday for Birmingham to take a course in Massey's Business college.

Triple Crown, Linden Layer raisins and best Currants at 7 cents per pound, at J. H. Hammond.

Johnston & Co., has just added to their stock a beautiful line of dry goods and notions. Call and see for yourself.

Dr. W. C. Bledsoe will preach at the Baptist church here Friday night, in the interest of the State Board of Missions.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Brooks, after a pleasant visit of two weeks in the city, returned to their home in Birmingham Saturday.

The Advocate office was honored by a visit from Mrs. R. M. Leonard, of Longview, on Monday last. Our friends, especially the ladies, are always welcome visitors at the Advocate office.

Our esteemed townsman, Col. Will Page, decided to work on a farm for two months, but it seems that he received quite a sufficiency in less than a day, and can now be found behind the counters again.

We publish in another column the report of the grand jury. The report makes a good showing for the county. The jury is to be commended for the promptness with which it did its work and adjourned.

C. J. Christian left Tuesday for Pueblo, Colorado, where he goes to take charge of a furnace. Everybody regretted to see Charlie leave. Mrs. Christian will remain for the present in Columbiana, but may join her husband later.

Mrs. T. J. Weaver was called to Jacksonville on Friday of last week by a telegram announcing the death of her mother, Mrs. J. G. Walker. Mrs. Walker had many friends in this city who will regret to hear of her death.

The two cases of Perdue vs. J. B. Adams and Mrs. Ozley vs. Adams, damages for diverting Camp Branch from its natural channel, consumed about two days of the court in their trial. In each case the jury found a verdict in favor of the plantiff, giving Mr. Perdue $20.00 and Mrs. Ozley $35.00 damages.

Capt. Frank Donner who, with the exception of John Thomas, is the oldest engineer on the Alabama division of the Southern Railroad, is in the city this week as a witness in court. Capt. Donner was at one time prominently mentioned as a suitable man to send to congress. He is the same whole souled, genial fellow as of yore, and puts everybody in good humor who comes in contact with him. May his shadow never grow less.

Circuit court is still in session. The business of the court progresses very slowly on account of the Judge having to wait on attorneys to prepare their cases after they are called. The criminal docket will be taken up next Monday. Of the four murder cases on the docket, one has been continued till next term. The Rice case is set for Tuesday and the Nabors case for Thursday of next week. The case of James B. West has not been set.

Grand Jury Report.

To the Hon. George E. Brewer, Judge presiding:

We the grand jury empanneled and sworn at this term of the court having finished our labors, submit the following as our final report:

We have examined the county jail and find it well kept, the prisoners receiving proper attention.

We have visited the paupers home or county poor house, and find the unfortunate inmates are well cared for.

We find the court house in fairly good condition.

We have investigated the books, papers and accounts of all the county officers, and find them correct.

We find in the county treasury $7,709,54.

We have examined the bonds of all of the county officers, including justices of the peace and notaries public, and find them sufficient and properly secured.

We regret to state that many of the justices of the peace and notaries public do not pay the proper attention to making the reports the law requires them to make, and we request that they be more prompt in the future, bringing with them their dockets for the inspection of the grand jury.

The public roads in the county are in a better condition than usual.

We have investigated 36 cases and returned into court 17 indictments.

We thank your Honor for the able charge given us, and the Solicitor for his kindness and assistance, and our bailiff Mr. M. S. Wilson for his faithful attendance.

Having finished our labors, we ask to be discharged.

I. W. Bailey,
Foreman.

That Mass Meeting.

We erred last week in saying that a mass meeting of the populists would be held at the court house April 30th to select delegates to the different conventions. The secretary had not furnished us with a copy of the minutes and we got the resolution as adopted by the committee wrong. The resolution as adopted was as follows:

Resolved, That the executive committee meet at the court house on Monday, April 25th 1898, to count the vote and declare the result, when the committee will be turned into a mass meeting for the purpose of electing delegates to the State, Congressional, Judicial and Chancery conventions.

Will be Allowed to Vote.

As the question has been frequently asked who will be allowed to vote in the primary, we publish below the resolution which was unanimously adopted by the county executive committee when the primary was ordered:

Resolved, That all citizens who are qualified voters, are invited to participate in the primary election on the 23rd of April 1898, who have heretofore affiliated with the People's party, or who having belonged to some other party, signifies his intention of joining the People's party, and pledges himself to support the ticket nominated.

A BIG DRIVE

In stoves, tinware, hardware, ladies' and men's shoes, at prices below their value. A lot of dry goods, notions and fancy articles will be found on our 5, 10 and 25 cent counters at one-half their value. Fresh family groceries just received at LIVING PRICES.

Johnston & Co.

Here We Go to the Quilting.

I will give away one 10 pound caddy of tobacco, either Red Apple or Schnapps, also 20 pounds of Arbuckles Roasted coffee. Come in and see about it.

J. H. Hammond.

Found.

On the streets of Columbiana, a gold breast pin, which the owner can have by calling at this office, describing property, and paying for this advertisement.

From now until Circuit Court closes I will give a teaspoon with every 50 cents worth of green coffee sold, and a table spoon with every dollars worth sold. This is for cash over the counter.

J. H. Hammond.

Maj. I. F. Culver, candidate for re-nomination by the democrats for Commissioner of Agriculture, was in the city last Friday.

In Memoriam.

Bart Cardwell, the son of Mrs. Lizzie Cardwell, was born in Shelby county, about six miles north of Columbiana. He being from early childhood a loving and obedient boy, he entertained a strict regard for the principles of morality which his widowed mother taught him. He was developing a character of morality that attracted the attention of his many friends and won the utmost respect of all. The heart of his poor mother was often thrilled with joy, by his upright conduct and the cheering words of her neighbors as she would hear them say, that Bart is a good boy.

About one year ago this dear boy was taken with that much dreaded disease, consumption, which blighted all hope, embittered all pleasure, and finally terminated his life. He lingered a long time, but seemed to suffer no acute pain. During his affliction he decided that morality would not save a soul; he cast all his cares upon the savior, and by faith embraced him as his personal savior, and committed himself into His hands. He regarded his affliction as sent in mercy, and bore it with an unmurmering spirit. He regarded death as the very portal of Heaven. He regarded Heaven as his future home and said he longed to be there.

On the 5th of March he bade his mother and brothers and friends goodby, and in the christian temper, passed from weariness into rest.

His remains were laid in the family cemetery near the old homestead. The funeral was preached at the grave by Rev. T. J. Cabaniss, the burial was attended by many friends. Sympathy is extended to the bereaved family.

Written by request of the bereaved mother.

T. J. Cabaniss.

Sunday School Convention.

Let every Sunday school worker remember that the time April 19-21, the date fixed for the State Sunday School Convention, is rapidly approaching. Every school has a right to send the Pastor and Superintendent, and two from their school, as delegates. In addition to these delegates, the officers of the beat, the county and the state associations are authorized delegates.

The railroads have granted a one and one-third rate on the certificate plan. Pay full fare going and get a certificate from the ticket agent, certifying that you had bought a full rate ticket to the convention, and at the convention have that certificate signed by the clerk of the convention, and your return ticket will only cost one cent a mile.

Birmingham has thrown wide open her doors and extends a hearty welcome to all active Sunday school workers to come and enjoy the convention.

Each school should at once send the names of all their delegates who expect to attend the convention, to Capt. A. B. Johnson, chairman of the entertainment committee, No. 1921, First Ave., Birmingham, that homes may be in readiness. Also let each officer of the beat, county and state association, who expects to attend the convention, send their names.

This is to be the grandest convention ever held in the State, and no one who is entitled to the privilege of attending should fail to make every effort to be present.

Mr. Johnson Declines.

Just as we go to press we received a letter from W. T. Johnson, respectfully declining to accept the nomination tendered him by the Hardy-Vandiver crowd for Representative. Messrs. Crumpton and Bain had already declined. We will publish Mr. Johnson's letter next week.

Attention Wilsonville!

I will be at Wilsonville April 13, 14, 15 and 16th, fully prepared to do all kinds of dental operations. See my "ad" in this paper.

Dr. W. A. Lovett,
Dentist.

No cure—No pay.

That is the way all druggists sell Grove's tasteless chill tonic for malaria, chill and fever. It is simply Iron and quinine in a tasteless form. Children love it. Adults prefer it to bitter, nauseating tonics. Price, 50c. For sale by

Hall Drug Co.

July 15, 1y.

If you owe the Advocate anything, please come forward and settle at once.

Sterrett.

Health of community good.

Rev. J. W. Lawly preached a very interesting sermon here Saturday and Sunday, also preached at Mr. R. J. Byers for the benefit of old Grandma Byers.

John Falkner, of Leeds, spent Saturday night and Sunday with relatives at this place.

Miss Bessie Harris, of Vincent, spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives here. Come again Miss Bessie, you are more than welcome

Mr. and Mrs. Butler, of Jemison, are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Laura Cosper.

Ben Cosper, who is at work with the bridge crew, spent several days with home folks last week.

We learn that several of the young people spent Saturday evening very pleasantly playing croquet.

J. Falkner spent a few days in Birmingham this week.

Jim Jarrett, of Woodlawn, spent Saturday and Sunday with home folks and his girl Come again Jim, we are always glad to see you.

Mrs. A. B. Allen, of Leeds, was visiting at this place Sunday and Monday.

Miss Ada Cosper, of this place, visited relatives and friends at Childersburg last week, returning home Monday evening.

J. L. Peek, of Woodlawn, spent Sunday with relatives here.

Jim Payton spent a few hours at this place Sunday.

Mr. M. Dyke attended church here Sunday.

Quaker.

Beeswax Dots.

Health of community good.

Farmers are badly behind with their work, considering such pretty weather.

H. E. Archer, of Yellow Leaf, was here Saturday on business.

Capt. Jno. Bowlin passed through here Saturday.

Prof. Bird, of Columbiana, was in our community last Friday.

Mr. Curlee and lady, of the Kingdom, were here Saturday night and Sunday.

George Archer was on the sick list last week.

Miss Mary Stinson spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Tempa Archer.

J. W. Blackerby went to Columbiana Saturday on business.

C. W. Archer and lady went to Fourmile Sunday to preaching.

James Hughes rolled logs last week, and the boys got all they wanted to do under his big logs. How about it J. N. S.?

Robert O'Hara, of Wilsonville, was passing through here last week attending court as a grand juror.

We are glad to hear of such little meanness going on in our county, as we learn only 17 true bills were gotten this term.

Well, a few words about our officers; we are somewhat at a standstill the way things is going on, but we trust all will come out all O. K. in the end.

We would be glad to see the announcement of Hon. T. A. Huston as county clerk, and then we could depend on county clerk. Hurrah for Longshore and the Advocate.

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Quito Dots.

War talk is the order of the day.

Farmers are very busy this beautiful weather.

Health of the community very good.

Horse back riding seems to be enjoyed by the young people of this community, as we can see them out every Sunday afternoon.

W. A. Hooker, one of our good populist, attended court last week.

J. M. Allen, Jr., who is attending Pelham High school, visited home folks last week.

Misses Mattie Allen and Wilma Deshazo visited Pelham friends last week.

Mr. Bass closed his school last week. We are sorry to see Mr. Bass leave us.

We hear that the young people are going out to the mountain soon to gather flowers.

We learn that the singing last Sunday night was quite a success.

Jubar.

FOR RENT.

Two five room cottages. In good condition and in desirable part of the city. For further information, apply at the Advocate office.

Lewis Blows.

Several of our people are attending court this week.

Rev. R. A. Kidd filled his regular appointment at Fourmile Sunday, and delivered a very interesting sermon to a large an attentive congregation.

W. S. McEwen, of Wilsonville, attended church here Sunday. Come again Will, you will always find a hearty welcome.

J. F. Baker spent Sunday night in our neighborhood, on his way to court to serve as a petit juror.

Billie Spearman, Jr., of Yellow Leaf, attended church here Sunday.

James Vest, of Columbiana, transacted business in our community Saturday.

The singing at Mr. Perry's Saturday night, we are glad to state, was a grand success.

C. W. Archer and lady, of Beeswax, attended church here Sunday.

Sager.

Waxahatchie.

Health very good.

James Hale, of Longview, spent several days in our community last week.

Charlie Finley, of Birmingham, who has been visiting his parents, returned home last Thursday, much to the regret of some of our girls.

Sam Pardue, of Longview, visited friends here last week.

Miss Hattie Thomas is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. B. Pitts, near Wilsonville.

John Hale, who has been on the sick list, we are glad to state, is up again.

Miss Emma Mooney, of Yellow Leaf, visited relatives here last week.

B. L. Kimble spent Saturday night on Beeswax. They say he was dear hunting.

Miss Ida Strickland returned home Sunday from a visit to relatives near Wilsonville.

Messrs. John Hale, Will Finley and Will Lyon, and Misses Ettie Dykes, Mary Finley and Georgia Thomas, attended church at Summer Hill Sunday.

Tom Adkinson, of the Kingdom, and John Powell, of Lewis, spent the night in our neighborhood last week.

Calla Lilly.

Pelham Points.

The city is now enjoying very good health.

Pelham High school is flourishing now, but will soon close. We expect to have a nice entertainment by the school.

The patent medicine man came through the city without making a sale. How is that C. C.?

Prof. King, a full fledged graduate, lectured at the school house last Monday night, and gave an interesting talk on the question of education. He will probably teach a summer school here.

The social intertainments here seems to be enjoyed by the young people very much.

Misses Mattie Allen and Wilma Deshazo, of Quito, visited relatives here last week. Come again girls, you are always welcome.

Trade of the city is advancing, and the clerks are kept busy.

Drummers are often seen here getting orders for spring goods.

War between Spain and the United States is the talk of the day.

Juvenis.

Center Point Dots.

Health of our community good.

Farmers are busy planting corn and cotton.

Rev. S. N. Burns preached an able and interesting sermon at Good Hope Sunday at 11 a. m., and at Pine Flat in the evening.

Married—At the residence of the brides mother, Sunday at 3 p. m., Prof. E. R. Newman and Miss Eliza A. Farr, Rev. J. C. Lyons officiating. There were many present who witnessed the ceremony and extended to the happy couple hearty congratulations. The groom with his bride returned to their future home, accompanied by several friends. We wish the happy couple a long and happy life.

Snider.

Bucklen'n Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world for cuts, Bruises, Sore, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For Saleby Hall Drug Co., Columbiana, Alabama.

WAR WITH SPAIN

Seems to be Almost a Certainty.

UP AND AT EM. DOD DROT EM. LET'S WIPE THE INSOLENT CURS OFF THE EARTH.

But for the fact that we have so many bargains to offer that our store will be crowded and jammed for the next 30 days, we would be ready to join a company and leave for Cuba at once. This is no fairy tale. Run your eyes over the following prices. It will do your soul good, and make you feel ten years younger. Remember for 30 days only these extraordinary prices hold good.

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Men's fur hats, worth	$1.00, at	$ 65	Men's white dress shirts, worth	75, at	50
Men's fur hats, worth	1.25, at	95	Men's white dress shirts, worth	1.00, at	75
Men's fur hats, worth	2.00, at	1.25	Men's fancy bosom shirts, worth	1.00, at	85
Men's fur hats, Diamond Brand, worth	$2.75, at	2.00	Men's all wool underwear suits, worth	$2.50, at	1.50
Men's fur hats, Diamond Brand, worth	$3.50, at	2.50	Men's all wool underwear suits, worth	$3.50, at	2.00
Men's fur hats, worth	50, at	35			
Men's fur hats, worth	75, at	55			

DRY GOODS.

Cashmere dress goods, worth 35 cents per yard, at	20
Henrietta dress goods, worth 35 cents per yard, at	20
Brilliantine dress goods, worth 65 cents per yard, at	45
Mohair dress goods, worth 65 cents per yard, at	45
Dundee Percale, worth 12½ cents per yard, at	9
Dress Ginghams, worth 8 cents per yard, at	5½
Good soft finish bleaching, at 4 cents per yard.	
Fruit of the Loom bleaching, at 8½ cents per yard.	
Heavy shirting domestic, at 4½ cents per yard.	
9 oz wool doeskin Jeans, at 25 cents per yard.	
School boy Jeans, at 15 cents per yard.	
Good heavy cotton Jeans, at 10 cents per yard.	
10 by 4 Pepperell sheeting, bleached and unbleached, at 18¾ cts per yard.	
Ladies' corsets, worth 75 cents, at	50c
Ladies' corsets, worth 60 cents, at	40c
Men's heavy overshirts, worth 50 cents, at 35 cents.	
Men's heavy overshirts, worth 75 cents, at 50 cents.	

All other Dry Goods and Notions will be closed out at very low prices.

In addition to the above we shall offer magnificent bargains in SHOES. When we say bargains, we mean all that the word implies.

Don't fail to drop in and see our splendid line. If the crowd is too dense in front come around to the back door, and we will try to pull you in somehow.

Full line of GROCERIES as cheap as the cheapest.

A call at our store will convince you we mean business.

Yours for Bargains, and to whip Spain,

J. H. PAGE & SON,
Columbiana, Ala.

NEW MILLINERY.

The public are cordially invited to call and see our lovely Millinery Goods which have been selected with care and an eye to please every one. Our prices are reasonable and we are sure you have only to see our goods to buy them. We will have them on exhibition by the 9th.

Here also you can buy the Standard Sewing Machine, which is one of the best on the market. Also New Home, Singer and Davis machine needles.

Laura C. Armstrong & Co.

WATCH THIS SPACE NEXT WEEK FOR BARGAINS.

TO OUR FRIENDS.

Having bought out J. E. Seale & Co., in the drug business, we take this method of informing our friends that we propose to continue the business at the old stand.

All accounts due J. E. Seale & Co., will be paid to us, and all claims against said firm will be presented to us for payment.

WILLIAMS BROTHERS,
Columbiana, Ala.

To Fasten Keys.

A Massachusetts man has invented a key fastener, which consists of a U-shaped piece of metal which slips over the knob spindle and carries a plate at either end, with a screw to draw them together and clamp the key so it can not be turned from the outside.

A Good Honest Doubter

is a person we like to meet. We like to have such a man try Tetterine. He will be more enthusiastic than anybody else once he's cured and convinced Tetterine is for Tetter, Eczema, Ringworm and all skin diseases. 50 cents a box at drug stores or by mail from J. T. Shuptrine, Savannah, Ga.

Take B. B. B. For All Diseases

Arising from Impure Blood, Rheumatism, Scrofula, Catarrh, all Skin and Blood Diseases. $1.00 per large bottle, 3 for $2.50, at druggists, or sent for price, express paid, by Blood Balm Co. Atlanta, Ga. Books of wonderful cures free

A Chicago paper complains that $130,000,000 worth of property in that city is held by absentee landlords.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.

To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or $1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

London has 600,000 houses. Paris has 90,000 houses. New York 115,000 houses; Philadelphia 190,000.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

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Sold by Druggists, price 75c. per bottle.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

To hold an ear of corn for eating, a neat device is made of a wire bow, with a handle twisted in the center and spring cones at each end to grasp the ear and hold it rigid.

Beauty Is Blood Deep.

Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

The population of Palestine is increasing rapidly. Ten years ago there were only 15,000 residents in Jaffa; today there are nearly 60,000.

Oh, What Splendid Coffee.

Mr. Goodman, Williams Co., Ill., writes: "From one package Salzer's German Coffee Berry costing 15c I grew 300 lbs. of better coffee than I can buy in stores at 30 cents a lb." A. C. 9

A package of this coffee and big seed and plant catalogue is sent you by John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., upon receipt of 15 cents stamps and this notice.

What was formerly a quill factory at Paris is now devoted to the manufacture of quill toothpicks, and turns out 20,000,000 yearly.

No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents.

Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c, $1. All druggists.

England has requested a bid from a Missouri packing establishment for furnishing 750,000 pounds of canned meats for the British army in India.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

There is an immense garden in China that embraces an area of 50,000 square miles. It is all meadow land and is filled with dykes, ponds and canals.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets.

Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

Persons residing in the District of Columbia have no vote there, but they may vote in the state in which they claim a legal residence.

Chew Star Tobacco—The Best.

Smoke Sledge Cigarettes.

Near the Caspian sea there are several "eternal fires," so called by the natives, where natural gas issues from the ground and has been on fire for ages.

Fits permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. $2 trial bottle and treatise free DR. R. H. KLINE, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Phila., Pa

A Scottish diver in the Clyde recently excelled all European records by remaining under water forty minutes at a depth of 180 feet.

To Cure Constipation Forever.

Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

The national debt is now $13.41 for each individual. In 1867 it was $69.26.

France gathers a window tax on more than 9,000,000 houses.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reducing inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c. a bottle.

DYSPEPSIA, INDIGESTION and all Stomach troubles cured by Taber's Pepsin Compound. Sample bottle mailed free. Write Dr. Taber Mfg. Co., Savannah, Ga.

I can recommend Piso's Cure for Consumption to sufferers from Asthma.—E. D. TOWNSEND, Ft. Howard, Wis., May 4, 1894.

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ONE ENJOYS

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Syrup of Figs is for sale in 50 cent bottles by all leading druggists. Any reliable druggist who may not have it on hand will procure it promptly for any one who wishes to try it. Do not accept any substitute.

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FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS

The Senate—Monday.

After the transaction of some routine business in the senate today Mr. Bacon introduced an amendment which he announced he would offer to the resolution providing for annexation of the Hawaiian islands to the United States. The amendment provides that the resolution shall not be effective until the question of annexation shall have been submitted to the qualified electors of Hawaii and passed upon affirmatively by them. The amendment is the same which Mr. Bacon offered to the Hawaiian treaty and which is still pending.... Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, secured the passage of a resolution calling upon the secretary of the interior for information as to the number of all classes of pensioners, including the percentages of men and women and children carried on the pension rolls.... Among the bills passed were the following: To authorize the construction of a bridge across St. Francis river in Arkansas; to confer jurisdiction upon the United States circuit courts in certain cases.

The House.

The house today unamimously passed the bill for the relief of the survivors and victims of the Maine disaster. The bill reimburses the surviving officers and men for the losses they sustained to an amount not to exceed a year's sea pay, and directs the payment of a sum equal to a year's pay to the legal heirs of those who perished. After paying a high and flowery tribute to the men of the Maine, Mr. Cousins, of Iowa, closed with these words: "Hovering above the dark waters of that monstrous harbor of Havana the black-winged vulture watches for the belated dead, while over it and over all there is the eagle's piercing eye, sternly watching for the truth. Whether the appropriation carried by this resolution shall be ultimately charged to fate or to some foe, shall soon appear. Meanwhile, a patient and patriotic people, enlightened by the lessons of our history, remembering the woes of war, both to the vanquished and victorious, are ready for the truth and for their duty." There was tremendous applause as Mr. Cousins concluded his beautiful tribute. The remainder of the day was occupied in consideration of the old claim of John Roach, the ship-builder, for $331,000. No action was taken upon the claim.... At 5 o'clock the house took a recess until 8 p. m., the evening session being devoted to the consideration of private pension bills.

The Senate—Tuesday.

A feature of the senate proceedings today was an extended speech by Senator Caffery, of Louisiana, in support of the pending quarantine bill.... Mr. Carter, of Montana, of the committee on territories, called up the measure reported by him, making further provisions for a civil government of Alaska, and addressed the senate at length upon it.... Mr. Gallinger, of New Hampshire, who recently returned from Cuba, announced that he would address the senate upon his observations in Cuba.... Mr. Foraker, of Ohio, presented the credentials of Mr. Hanna as United States senator, covering six years from March 4, 1899. The credentials were read and ordered filed.... Among the bills passed were the following: To prevent the appointment of cadets to the naval or military academies of the United States from states, territories or districts in which such cadets do not reside; to raise the age of protection for girls in the District of Columbia and in the territories to 18 years.

The House.

The naval appropriation bill was reported to the house today, carrying a total of $25,683,058, an increase over last year of $3,734,432, and over the current estimates of $2,514,824. For the increase of the navy the bill allows to be constructed by contract three sea-going coast line battleships, designed to carry the heaviest armor and most powerful ordnance, displacement 11,000 tons, with the heaviest practicable speed for their class, to cost, exclusive of armament, not exceeding $3,000,000 each, one to be named the Maine; six torpedo boats of 150 tons displacement, and six torpedo boat destroyers, about 350 tons displacement, to cost not exceeding $2,340,000, and one gunboat to take the place of the United States ship Michigan, to cost, exclusive of armament, not over $260,000.... The contested election case of Thorpe vs. Eppes, from the Fourth Virginia district, was taken up and debated until 4 o'clock, when the house owing to the illness of Mr. Rhea, of Kentucky, who was to speak this afternoon, adjourned until tomorrow.

The Senate—Wednesday.

Almost as soon as the senate convened today Mr. Bacon, of Georgia, introduced a joint resolution declaring that the United States should do everything in its power to preserve peace with all the nations of the world, and not be forced into a war except to preserve the honor and dignity of the nation.... Mr. Hale favorably reported the bill providing for relief for the survivors of the Maine catastrophe. The measure was read and passed without a word of debate.... Mr. Gallinger, of New Hampshire, who has recently visited the island of Cuba, arose and delivered a vivid word picture of the horrors and barbarities of concentration on the island.... The senate then resumed the consideration of the bill making further provisions for a civil government in Alaska, and at 2 o'clock took up the national quarantine bill. Its consideration had not been concluded when the senate adjourned.

The House.

R. P. Thorpe was today given the seat from the fourth Virginia district. Sidney P. Epes (dem.) was unseated by a strict party vote of 151 to 130. The republicans, without a break, voted for Thorpe, and the democrats and populists, with the exception of Mr. Howard (pop.), of Alabama, voted for Epes. Mr. Thorpe contested the seat of Mr. McKenney in the last congress and was seated. The republican majority in the house, which was 52 when the house convened last summer, is now 54.

The Senate—Thursday.

The senate, after Senator Thurston's speech on the Cuban question, resumed its business, and the following bills were passed: For the protection of song birds—providing that the importation into the United States of birds, feathers or parts of birds for ornamental purposes be prohibited, and prohibiting the transportation or sale of such articles in any territory of the United States or in the District of Columbia; to authorize the Montgomery-Elmore Bridge and Improvement Company to construct and maintain a bridge across the Alabama river near Montgomery, Ala., and to authorize the Monroe Railway and Construction Company to construct a bridge across Red river at Grand Ecore, La.... At 2:30, in accordance with previous notice, Mr. Bate, of Tennessee, presented a resolution in memory of the late Senator Harris, of Tennessee. Eulogies were delivered by Senators Bate, Morgan, Walthall, Chilton, Turley and others. At 4:25 p. m., as a further mark of respect, the senate adjourned until Monday.

The House.

The naval appropriation bill was taken up in the house today and after considerable difficulty an arragement was made to close the general debate at 1 p. m. tomorrow. There was great pressure for time, but the leaders desired to limit, as far as possible, the opportunity for inflammatory utterances. The debate today was not on sensational lines, but every radical expression was cheered to the echo by the crowded galleries. The speeches of Messrs. Dayton, of West Virginia, and Arnold, of Pennsylvania, both of whom took advanced positions in favor of aggressive action to stop the war in Cuba, aroused intense enthusiasm. Mr. Boutelle, chairman of the naval committee, and Mr. Meyers, of Louisiana, confined their remarks closely to the bill and the extraordinary emergency which necessitated the large appropriations it carried. The other speakers were Messers. Tate of Georgia, Fox of Mississippi and Fitzgerald of Georgia. At 5:55 the house adjourned

A PHILANTHROPIC CONSPIRACY.

Troy Messenger, March 15.

In several of it's recent issues the Birmingham Age-Herald has contained editorial articles charging that a deep laid "conspiracy" has been concocted by certain prominent school men of Alabama (naming Dr. Eldridge, president of the State Normal College,) "to defraud the people."

The matter is this:

There are yet about 600,000 acres of public land in Alabama. It belongs to the United States government, but instead of being a matter of profit, it is a source of loss, owing to the constant prosecution of trespassers and depredators.

Some time ago a bill was introduced in congress to grant a part of this public domain to the Girls' Industrial School at Montevallo and the Negro Normal School at Tuskegee. Friends of other schools, having in equity as just claims as these mentioned, asked for similar favors and Dr. Eldridge, in keeping with his character as an earnest and liberal friend of education, proposed that the bill should be so amended as to donate the entire area of public land in Alabama to the cause of education, nearly one-half going to the common schools and the rest to the higher institutions. In this way these institutions, whose efficiency is hampered and whose very existence made precarious by the meagre support accorded them by the state, would acquire a much more secure foundation; and the common schools be helped materially toward that plane of independence, upon which the increasing enlightment and public spirit of our people demand they shall be placed.

This is the whole story of the "conspiracy" and "the deep-laid scheme to defraud the people."

And how?

Are the people of Alabama defrauded when the government of the United States donates them means for educating their children? And do the public lands of Alabama belong to the people of Alabama any more than they do to the people of California? They are the property of the general government, and if the people of Alabama can get them as a donation at all, whether to the common or the higher schools, it is a great piece of good fortune at which every friend of education and progress ought to rejoice.

If the Age-Herald wishes to make war upon the Normal school, it should come out boldly and do it. All its talk about the "few against the many" and "the classes against the masses," is the outworn war-cry of the demagogue. It is talk that appeals only to ignorance and prejudice. Every intelligent person knows that professional schools for teachers are an indispensable adjunct to the public school system. If there are more of these institutions than the necessities of the situation demand let the number be decreased, but let us support and applaud the efforts of those who are using every means to increase the efficiency of our public school system, who are striving to redeem Alabama from the dark stigma of illiteracy which unfortunately rests upon her.

GREAT AIM.

"It was the aim of my life," said the big man with a satisfied sigh.

"What's that?"

"Brought down four ducks and a sand crane at one shot."

A SMACKING OBJECTION.

She—Did you ever kiss a Boston girl?

He—Yes; once.

"I suppose then you thought the ice was broken?"

"Well, no; but for a moment I thought my face was broken."

NOT A SUBSTITUTE.

"Words of cheer are bright jewels along one's pathway."

"That's all right, but just wait until you run upon a girl who is expecting a diamond ring."

THE WAY THEY REGARD IT.

Grace—What, do you mean to say that Charlie is earning his own living now?

May—So he says.

Grace—Goodness, we must invite him to dinner at once—the poor boy must be starving.

ABOVE IT.

Lady—Now that you have partaken of a good dinner, are you equal to the task of sawing some wood?

Tramp—Madam, equal is not the proper word; I'm superior to it.

EASILY EXPLAINED.

She—Why is a girl said to be of age when she's eighteen, when a man reaches his majority at twenty-one?

He—Perhaps it's because girls born in 1877 are celebrating their eighteenth birthday this year.

HAD HIM SIZED UP.

Miss Securities—The Prince is so entertaining. He is one of those people who can tell everything they know.

Her Father—Yes; and he doesn't talk very much, either.

THE LAST DAY OF LIBERTY.

Bacon—Let me shake your hand, dear boy. This is one of the happiest days of your life.

Egbert—You're too previous, old man. I'm not to be married until tomorrow.

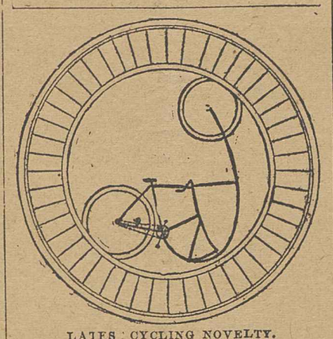
Bacon—That's what I say. This is one of the happiest days of your life.

NEW UNICYCLE.

A Contrivance Which, It Is Promised, Will Eclipse All Bicycle Records.

The latest novelty in wheels is a unicycle, which it is promised will eclipse all records of the bicycle.

The contrivance is the invention of Emory B. Sowers, of Westville, Ohio, who has succeeded in making surprisingly fast time on it. The motive power of this invention is obtained by the use of a safety, which can be fitted to



LATEST CYCLING NOVELTY.

and be taken from the large wheel without much loss of time. It is claimed the new machine will make it possible to develop a much higher rate of speed than the ordinary form with the same expenditure of energy.

The unicycle is guided by the handlebars the same as an ordinary. The rider's weight may be thrown or shifted by turning these, which, in turn, guide the larger wheel in the same direction. The new unicycle may be changed to a safety by taking off the top wheel and putting a wheel in the front forks as in the ordinary cycles.

Paper Bags for Bread.

A novel improvement has been made by one of the most prominent bakers of Berlin, which is the natural consequence of the increasing tendency to employ hygienic methods in every trade dealing with food and food supplies. While rolls have long been delivered in paper bags to customers, it has always been the rule to handle loaves with the fingers, each loaf going through a number of hands before delivered at the consumer's door, there to be received by the bare, often not too clean, fingers of the servant. The recent improvement, which has been covered by patents, consists of using paper bags the exact shape of the various sizes of bread turned out by a baker. These bags are open at both ends, and, being slightly longer than the loaf, the ends are turned together with a twist as the loaf is shoved from the oven straight into the bag. This cover will protect the bread from any pollution after it leaves the oven, as the loaf is kept in the bag not only while being handled in the bakery and by the delivery man, but while the loaf is being used, being cut at one end as the loaf gets shorter. The new system has found a very quick spread, and the best bakeries, which at once introduced the new improvement, gained by its adoption.

The Turkish Lady.

We can hardly realize, writes a correspondent from Constantinople, the full monotony of a Turkish lady's life. Every woman, rich or poor, with the least regard to her character must be in her house by sundown.

Only think of the long, dull winter afternoons and evenings when no friend can come near them, as all their female friends must be in their own houses, and male friends they cannot have. Even the men of their own family associate but little with them.

On the Bosphorus their caiques are a great resource to the Turkish ladies, but in Pera those of the upper classes can only go out, in closed carriages, to the Sweet Waters, occasionally accompanied by their husbands on horseback.

But they may speak to no one while driving; their own husbands and sons cannot even bow to them as they pass, and no one would venture to say a word to his own wife or mother when the carriage pulls up—the police would at once interfere. The highest mark of respect is to turn your back to a lady, and this is obligatory when any member of the Imperial harem passes.

Late Hours and Health.

A German doctor, who has been collecting information about the habits of long-lived persons, finds that the majority of those who attained old age indulged in late hours. Eight out of ten persons over 80 never went to bed until well into the small hours, and did not get up again until late in the day.

Gained 22 Pounds in 5 Weeks.

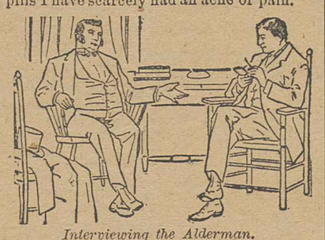
From the By-Stander, Macomb, Ill.

Alderman Louis W. Camp, of our city, has quite astonished his friends, by a remarkable gain in weight. He has gained 22 pounds in five weeks. Those of his friends who do not know the facts of his sickness will read with interest the following:

"I was broken down in health and utterly miserable," said Mr. Camp to our reporter. "I was unable to work much of the time and so badly afflicted with a form of stomach trouble that life was a veritable nightmare.

"I tried various remedies, but during the six months of my sickness I obtained no relief. I had always been a robust, healthy man and sickness bore heavily upon me.

"About two years ago I was advised to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I purchased one box and received so much benefit that I used five more and was entirely cured. *I gained twenty-two pounds in five weeks.* Since I stopped taking the pills I have scarcely had an ache or pain.



Interviewing the Alderman.

"Dr. Williams' Pink Pills restored me to health and I most heartily recommend them."

L. W. Camp on oath says that the foregoing statement is true.

W. W. MELOAN, *Notary Public.*

Following is the physician's certificate as to Mr. Camp's present condition.

I am a regularly licensed physician of Macomb, McDonough County, Ill. I have very recently examined Mr. L. W. Camp as to his general physical condition, and find the same to be all that could be desired, appetite and digestion good, sleeps well, and has all the evidences of being in a good physical condition. SAM'L RUSSELL, M. D.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th day of September, 1897.

W. W. MELOAN, *Notary Public.*

Spring Medicine

These two words emphasize a necessity and indicate a remedy.

SPRING—the season when the blood is most impure as a result of the winter's closer confinement, higher living, slower action of the kidneys and liver; when humors of all kinds, boils, pimples and eruptions are most liable to appear; when the weak, languid condition of the whole bodily structure demands and welcomes help.

MEDICINE—that to which the millions turn at this season—Hood's Sarsaparilla. The *original* and *only* preparation especially adapted to the present needs of the human family; that which makes the blood pure and clean, as shown by its thousands of wonderful cures of dreadful blood diseases; creates an appetite and cures dyspepsia, as shown by its "magic touch" in all stomach troubles; steadies and strengthens the nerves, as proved by people formerly nervous, now calm and self-possessed, thanks to

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Very Much Run Down

as I had been troubled with dyspepsia. The drain on my system was so severe and my stomach was so weak I became a ready victim of malaria. I feared I could never regain my health. My stomach rebelled at the simplest food, and the medicines prescribed for me gave but little relief." I sent for a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla, and I had taken this medicine but three days when I began to improve. Continuing with it, I am now better and stronger than I ever expected to be. It has purified my blood and given good circulation. I have had no return of my old troubles since." MRS. W. KANE, Media, Pa. Hood's Sarsaparilla is

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Falling of the Womb.

The cases of uterine displacement are very numerous and constitute a prolific cause of intense and wide-spread suffering. Its symptoms are bearing-down or dragging sensations, pain or weakness in the back, sometimes a sense of goneness at the pit of the stomach. It may result from too frequent childbearing, wearing garments that compress the waist and abdomen, over-lifting, standing on the feet too long, and general debility.

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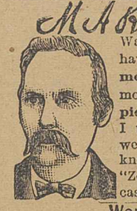
M. A. Rutherford



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